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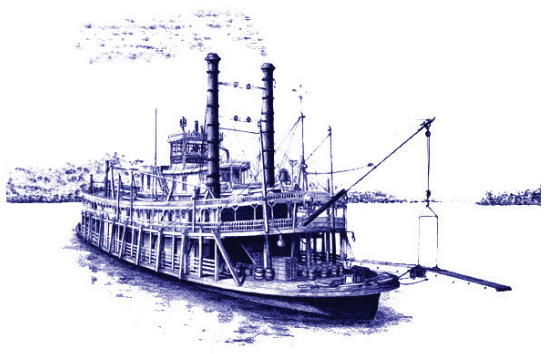

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THE MADISON COURIER

TUESDAY, JUNE 27, 2023 | *Serving the Courier area since 1837* | **NEWSSTAND • $1.25**

Minor local damage from storm

Tornados hit Jennings, killed 1 in Martin

BY BOB DEMAREE

Heavy storms passed through Jefferson County on Sunday evening but Matt True, the Jefferson County Emergency Management Agency's chief of operations, said damage in Jefferson County was overall minor with some downed tree limbs and a little hail.

Robert Black, the county's deputy Emergency Management Agency director, estimated that hail ranged up to ping-pong size at various locations throughout the county.

Black said there was no report of a tornado in Jefferson County but the storm did result in a tree falling on a house on Hickory Drive in Hanover. In addition to that, Black reported several downed power lines throughout the county.

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High speed chase begins in Dupont, ends in Milton

Suspect wanted in kidnapping

BY COURIER STAFF REPORT

A report of a kidnapping from a women's shelter in the Bloomington area on Friday put law enforcement in Jefferson County on the lookout, after a vehicle fitting the description of the suspect's car was observed traveling south on State Road 7 near Dupont at about 2 p.m. and a pursuit ensued across state lines until it ended in Trimble County.

Jefferson County Sheriff's Department Chief Deputy Laura Pickel located the suspect's black Dodge Challenger on State Road 7 and attempted to execute a traffic stop but the vehicle fled southbound into the city limits of Madison at an extremely high rate of speed.

Pickel lost visual contact with the car, but a short time later the Challenger was observed on Clifty Drive traveling eastbound near Madison Consolidated High School. A second pursuit ensued, involving

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Mulberry Street Mural Plaza dedicated, celebrated

Photos by Bob Demaree

The ribbon-cutting for the Mulberry Street Mural Plaza included the Madison Area Arts Alliance board of directors (in the second row), along with (front from left) Brad Schutte and Tyler Stone of Schutte Excavating, which was contracted to renovate the parking lot; Kevin Kellems, Jefferson County's respresentative on the Our Southern Indiana Regional Development Authority; Tony Steinhardt III, the city's economic develpment director; Madison Mayor Bob Courtney; Kim Nyberg, executive director of Madison Area Arts Alliance; and Jane Vonderheide, holding the heart painting that inspired the mural.

A painting of a heart by Jane Vonderheide was an inspiration for the Mulberry Murals. Vonderheide is pictured holding her painting that was purchased by Kim Nyberg (right). In the background are Madison Mayor Bob Courtney (left) and Tony Steinhardt III, the city's economic development director.

A large crowd gathered for the festivities for the dedication of the Mulberry Street Mural Plaza held Friday.

BY BOB DEMAREE

More than 50 years after the northeast corner of Mulberry and Second streets became a parking lot — it's still a parking lot but also so much more — the community dedicated the are as the Mulberry Street Mural Plaza anchored by the massive Kindness Mural and surrounded by other murals depicting the history and artistry of the city.

"Thank you to this community for believing in the power of the arts and the power of kindness," Kim Nyberg, executive director of the Madison Area Arts Alliance, said at Friday's ribbon cutting ceremony for the now completed parking facility and mural park that was created in the summer and fall of 2021.

What started as an idea for a Kindness Mural later expanded to the walls all around the city parking lot. "Over 30 artists and creatives put this mural together but so many other people finished it up, and we're so proud of the finished product," said Nyberg.

After the mural was completed, the city of Madison took the project to the next level with a complete renovation of the parking lot that would make the Kindness Mural a focal point of a destination. And with $887,000 from a READI grant, the parking lot features green space and parking for vehicles and golf carts as well as electric vehicle charging stations and bike racks.

Nyberg said the Kindness Mural was born from a purchase

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Regatta Week kicks off with pageants

Bob Demaree

Mia Mires, last year's Miss Teen Regatta, places the crown on Allie Thornsberry after she was announced as 2023 Miss Teen Regatta during Saturday's pageant at Madison Consolidated High School's Opal Sherman Auditorium. The weekend pageants kicked off a busy week of Regatta activities

REGATTA FESTIVAL SCHEDULE

Tuesday, June 27
Madison Regatta Waterball Fights
Main Street & Broadway — 6 p.m.

Wednesday, June 28
Showing of the movie 'Madison'
Bicentennial Park — dark

Thursday, June 29
Meet and Greet/Autograph Session
VIP Tent (on riverfront) — 7 p.m.
Baby & Cutie Pie Contests
Bicentennial Park — 6 p.m.

Friday, June 30
City of Madison Hometown USA
Main Street — 6 p.m.
Madison Regatta & Roostertail Music Festival
Boat racing — Ohio River
Music — Bicentennial Park
Roostertail Music Festival

Admission to boat testing and qualifying is free on Friday but music with headliner Ricky Skaggs at 9:30 p.m. requires a $45 Music Festival-Only wristband or a $55 All-Access wristband good for both the music festival and Madison Regatta hydroplane races all weekend.

(See detailed festival schedule in special Regatta insert in today's edition)

BY BOB DEMAREE

The Madison Regatta pageants crowned four winners on Saturday in the Miss Teen Regatta, Miss Preteen Regatta, Miss Princess Regatta and Little Miss Regatta contests.

Thiose crowned winners were Allie Thornsberry as Miss Teen Regatta; Katlyn Thomas as Miss Preteen Regatta; Adalyn Oak as Miss Princess Regatta; and Hallie Rose Ames as Little Miss Regatta.

Miss Teen contest was for girls ages 15-17. Thornsberry, 16, of Milton, Kentucky, is the daughter of Chad and Ashley Thornsberry. She is a junior at Trimble County High School. First runner-up was Emma Lamb, 15, of Lexington, Indiana, daughter of Ryan and Lynsy Lamb. She is a sophomore at Southwestern High School. Second runner-up was Cambree Tingle, 15, of Pleasureville, Kentucky, daughter of Michele Thompson and Jamie Tingle. She is a junior at Henry County High School.

Miss Preteen contest was for ages 12-14. Thomas, 14, of Madison, is the daughter of Elizabeth Nolan and Jason Buergen. She is a freshman at Madison Consolidated High School. First runner-up was Lilly Clark, 12, of Madison, daughter of Jordan and Jackie Schnebelt. She

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Patterson files as Democrat for Madison clerk-treasurer

Jefferson County Democrats have filled another vacancy on this fall's ballot for municipal offices with Sue Patterson filing for Madison Clerk-Treasurer in the Tuesday, Nov. 7, general election.

Patterson's filing leaves the Democrats with two vacancies to fill until the deadline July 3 at noon — Council District 3 and Council District 4.

Other Democrat candidates include Dan Dattilo, Mayor; Derek Alexis Hughes, Council District 1; Christian Bowyer, Council District 2; Edward Stigall, Council District 5; and Pete Backus and Jennifer Scott, both Council-at-Large.

Republican candidates are Bob Courtney, Mayor; Katie Rampy, Clerk-Treasurer; Patrick Thevenow, Council District 1; Carla Krebs, Council District 2; Lucy Dattilo, Council District 3; Joshua Schafer, Council District 4; Joel Storm, Council District 5; and Jim Bartlett and Joshua Wilber, Council-at-Large.

Deputy man dies in single vehicle crash

BY THE COURIER STAFF

A Deputy man died last Wednesday, June, 21, in a single vehicle crash on Deputy Pike.

Robert "Burt" Lee Willhoite, 25, Deputy, was pronounced dead at the scene of the crash, which was reported shortly after 5 p.m. on Wednesday.

Jefferson County Sheriff's Deputy Laura Pickel said Willhoite was traveling east on Deputy Pike when he apparently lost control of his car in the 1200 block of Deputy Pike. She said speeding was a factor and that Willhoite was approaching a curve and lost control of his Chevrolet Camero on the north side of the roadway and struck a tree on the driver's side.

Based on he damage to the vehicle and evidence at the crash scene, Pickel said Willhoite was "most likely ejected" from the vehicle.

The Jefferson County Coroner's office responded to the scene along with Deputy Volunteer Fire Company.

At 9:09 p.m. on Sunday, police responded to an accident on 400 North near Madison Precision in which an occupant had to be freed from entrapment before being transported to the hospital.

Multiple departments responded to the scene but no other information was available at presstime on that crash.

Rep. Frye to retire from Indiana General Assembly

BY THE COURIER STAFF

INDIANA REP. RANDY FRYE (R-GREENSBURG)

After more than a decade serving Indiana House District 67, State Rep. Randy Frye (R-Greensburg) announced his plans on Monday to retire from the Indiana General Assembly.

Frye's resignation will formally take effect July 8. He represents portions of Decatur, Jefferson, Jennings and Ripley counties. During his 13 years in the state legislature, Frye served as chair of the House Veterans Affairs and Public Safety committees, and as a member of the House Roads and Transportation Committee, and the House Utilities, Energy and Telecommunications Committee.

"Over the last few years, I've been dealing with multiple health issues, and it's time to focus on my well-being and my family," Frye said in a press release. "It has been the honor of my lifetime to represent the hardworking Hoosiers of House District 67. Whether it was working to make Indiana's tax climate better for everyday people

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WEATHER

Sunrise: 6:17 a.m.
Sunset: 9:12 p.m.
Temperature: High 84, Low 63, Mean 73.5, Deficit 0.1
Precipitation since last published: 0.91
Precipitation, June 2023: 2.97
Precipitation, 2023: 26.51
Barometer: 29.58, Falling
River Level at Clifty Creek: 421.69, Rising
Regatta Week Forecast: Wednesday: Mostly sunny High 84/Low 67; Thursday: Partly cloudy High 89/Low 69; Friday: Thunderstorms early High 92/Low 68; Saturday: Scattered thunderstorms High 85/Low 66; Sunday: Scattered thunderstorms High 81/Low 63; Monday: Mostly sunny High 83/Low 66; Independence Day: Partly cloudy High 87/Low 67.

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NEWS OF RECORD

JEFFERSON COUNTY JAIL

LODGINGS

June 22, 2023

- Justin Neil Brooks Jr., 20, Madison, for Battery, a Level 6 felony. No bond.
- Renee D. Walker, 47, Hanover, for Invasion of Privacy, a Class A misdemeanor. No bond.

June 23, 2023

- Donald Brian Breeden, 55, Madison, for Resisting Law Enforcement and Criminal Mischief, both Class A misdemeanors. Bond $1,000 cash.
- Kelly Ruth Campbell, 36, Madison, on a Jefferson County arrest warrant. Bond $5,000 cash.
- Chassie Lynn Cooper, 40, Deputy, on a Jefferson County arrest warrant (drug possession and dealing). No bond.
- Charles A. Edgington Jr., 44, Madison, for Theft, a Level 6 felony; and Resisting Law Enforcement, a Class A misdemeanor and on a Jefferson County bench warrant. Bond $500 cash.
- William Todd Hayden, 48, Hanover, on a Jefferson County bench warrant (child molesting). Bond $150,000 cash.
- Lennon Tate Lytle Perry , 21, Madison, for Fraud-Interfere With Drug-Alcohol Screening, a Class B misdemeanor; and on a 15-day hold. Bond $500 cash.
- Richard A. Pyles II, 37, Dupont, on a Jefferson County arrest warrant domestic battery and criminal confinement). Bond $5,000 cash.

June 24, 2023

- Faith J. Bowen, 60, no address, for Domestic Battery, a Level 6 felony. No bond.
- Donald Eugene Gray, 63, Madison, to serve court-ordered 17 days jail, consecutive. No bond.
- Anthony Shawn Jaynes, 52, Madison, on a Decatur County, Indiana, bench warrant (failure to appear in court). No bond.
- Dennis Matthew Webster, 34, Madison, for Strangulation, a Level 6 felony, and Domestic Battery, a Class A misdemeanor. Bond $1,000 cash.
- Peggy K. White, 57, Madison, for Operating a Vehicle with a BAC of .15, a Level 6 felony; and Leaving the Scene of an Accident -Property Damage Crash, a Class B misdemeanor. Bond $1,000 cash.

June 25, 2023

- Javier Reyes Agustin, 29, no address, for Operating a Vehicle While Intoxicated, a Class A misdemeanor; and Operating a Vehicle While Intoxicated and Reckless Driving, both Class C misdemeanors. Bond $500 cash.
- Eugene Louis Dean, 36, Charlestown, Indiana, for Driving While Suspended-Prior Suspension Within 10 Years, Operating a Vehicle While Intoxicated, both Class A misdemeanors and Operating a Vehicle While Intoxicated, a Class C misdemeanor. Bond $500 cash.
- Olivia Dee Gayle, 24, Commiskey, on a Jefferson County warrant for Failure to Appear (passing a school bus when arm signal extended). Bond $2,500 cash.
- Michael Glenn Harmon Jr., 20, Hanover, for Operating as Vehicle While Intoxicated and Driving on a Suspended License-Prior Suspension Within 10 Years, both Class A misdemeanors. No bond.
- Kenneth James Lockridge, 55, Madison, for Strangulation, a Level 6 felony; and Battery, a Class A misdemeanor. No bond.
- Megan Janes Sammons, 31, Madison, for Resisting Law Enforcement, a Class A misdemeanor; and Possession of Paraphernalia, a Class C misdemeanor. No bond.

June 26, 2023

- Joseph Ben Grubbs, 55, Lebanon, Indiana, Operating a Vehicle While Intoxicated and Operating a Vehicle While Intoxicated-Endangerment. Bond class A misdemeanors. Bond $500 cash.

JEFFERSON COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT

SENTENCINGS

June 22, 2023

- Corey Hayes, 31, Deputy, Indiana, for Neglect of a Dependent, a Level 6 felony. Sentenced to 640 days at Indiana Department of Correction with credit for 16 days served and balance 624 days suspended for supervised probation plus $585 in fees and court costs.
- Dahlila Ann Jester, 24, Madison, to amended charge of Operating a Vehicle While Intoxicated-Endangerment and Possession of Marijuana, both Class A misdemeanors. Sentenced to 180 days jail on each charge, concurrent, with credit for 4 days served and 176 days suspended for supervised probation plus $645.50 in fees and court costs and driver's license suspended for 90 days.
- Caleb Aaron Meadows, 32, Commiskey, Indiana, to amended charge of Domestic Battery in the Presence of a Child Less Than Age 16, a Level 6 felony. Sentenced to 730 days at Indiana Department of Correction with credit for 180 days served and 185 days suspended for 545 days of supervised probation plus $535 in fees and court costs and $1,440 in restitution to Christy Bowen with no contact order to remain in effect throughout term of probation.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

JEFFERSON COUNTY

June 22, 2023

- Amanda R. Dorten and Christopher R. Dorton to Amanda R. Dorten, 2439 South College Hills Drive, Hanover.
- Bobby Hawk, Brenda Hawk, Paul Hawk, Norma White, Charity Chitwood, Kyle Hawk, Teresa Bullock, Sandra Eads, Dennis Hawk, Danyetta Powers, Darrell Hawk, Janice Taylor to Joseph Edward Hawk (deceased), Ed Hawk, Larry W. Hawk (deceased) Karry W. Hawk (estate) and Cathy Vincent (personal representative), approximately 66 acres at 8000+ East Upper Dry Fork Road, Madison.
- Jennifer A. Andrews to Daniel Stokes and Madison Stokes, 19 Cobblestone Way, Madison.
- Teresa M. Huffman to Michelle Renee Wallior and Jeffrey Harris Coon, 1105 Autumnwood Lane, Madison.
- Robert J. McAllister Jr. and Cecelia D. McAllister to Gary G. Bouch Amended and Restarted Revocable Trust, approximately 26.38 acres at 5720 West 750 North, Dupont.
- Ben Flint Sheriff of Jefferson County, Jefferson County Sheriff Ben Flint and Rebecca G. Richards, to Lakeview Loan Servicing LLC, 2928 Kentucky Avenue, Madison.
- Rebecca Cunningham, Dorothy J. Morgan and Paul T, Morgan to Monica S. Doty, 511 Janie Lane, Hanover.
- Bradley Moderau to Ginger Bohmert, approximately 4.34 acres at 9067 West Deputy Pike, Deputy.

June 23, 2023

- Jeremy Jines, Amanda Simeon and Dennis Carroll McMannis (estate) to Jeremy Jines and Amanda Simeon, approximately 6 acres in two tracts at 9230 West Ford Road, Lexington.
- Clifton R. Lawrence to Cobb Resource Group LLC, 2212 Taylor Street, Hanover.
- Hunter A. Means and Jayde V. Means to Donald G. Rosenbarger Jr. and Jane M. Rosenbarger, 200 South Indian Cave Road, Madison.
- Sherry O'Neal to Israel L. O'Neal, 3490 North Rykers Ridge Road, Madison.
- Mary E. Stewart to Robin R. Geyman and Mary E. Steward (life estate), 242 Montclair Street, Madison.
- Jerry W. Keen and Julie C. Keen to Sarah E, Franklin and James Lee Slater, 10698 North Reynolds Road, Dupont.
- Alice Ann Bullock to James F, Bullock, two parcels totaling approximately 111 acres at 9943 East State Road 56, Vevay.

PURSUIT

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the Jefferson County Sheriff's Department, Madison Police Department and Indiana State Police .

At one point the chase entered the Miles Ridge subdivision as the suspect, identified as James E. Ingram, 39, of Bedford, Indiana, continued to flee law enforcement. Ingram drove off the road on several occasions in the subdivision to avoid apprehension as the chase eventually returned to Clifty Drive from Hannah Drive heading eastbound toward the U.S. 421 State Road 62 roundabout.

Madison Police Detectives Ricky Harris and Shawn Scudder attempted to deploy stop sticks at the roundabout. However, the deployment proved unsuccessful when Ingram allegedly drove his car directly at the two officers. The pursuit then continued southbound on U.S. 421, east onto Main Street and eventually across the Milton-Madison Bridge into Kentucky.

At that point, Kentucky State Police took over as the lead agency in the pursuit, observing the suspect's vehicle on the bridge traveling at a high rate of speed coming into Milton. A tire deflation device was successfully deployed in an attempt to end the pursuit; however, the vehicle continued traveling on U.S. 421 south as its tires were deflating. After traveling approximately 3 miles the subject stopped the vehicle, exited the car and attempted to flee on foot. He was apprehended a short time later by KSP and taken into custody.

Although the pursuit traveled through numerous communities, neighborhoods, traffic control devices, stop signs and highly congested areas in two states, there were no injuries reported. However, there was property damage in the Mile Ridge neighborhood due to suspect driving through yards.

The female thought to have been kidnapped in Bloomington, not in the vehicle. Police later learned she was able to escape her captor just prior to the pursuit.

Ingram faces numerous criminal charges in both Indiana and Kentucky. Among the charges in Kentucky are Fleeing or Evading Police-1st Degree (Motor Vehicle), Wanton Endangerment-1st Degree and Resisting Arrest. He has also been charged in Monroe County, Indiana, with Kidnapping-With Vehicle, a Level 5 felony; and Resisting Law Enforcement-Vehicle, a Level 6 felony. The investigation is ongoing and additional charges could be forthcoming in Jefferson County.

Persons who sustained property damage related to the pursuit should contact Indiana State Police Sgt. Adam Bullock of the Versailles Post at 812-569-5000.

LOTTERY

INDIANA

Hoosier Lotto: 10-16-21-23-32-42 (6/24). Next Estimated Jackpot: $21.1 million. Next Drawing (6/28).

Cash Five: 5-11-17-18-38 (6/25)

Cash 4 Life: 5-41-43-48-50 CB: 3 (6/25)

KENTUCKY

Cash Ball: 15-20-25-33 CB: 23 (6/251)

Kentucky 5 Extra: 3-7-12-14-39 (6/25)

Lucky For Life: 16-17-18-35-47 LB: 11 (6/25)

MEGAMILLIONS: 13-62-65-67-69 MB: 14, MP x5 (6/23). Next Jackpot: $343 million. Next Drawing (6/27)

POWERBALL: 2-38-44-50-62 PB: 19, PP: 3 (6/24). Next Estimated Jackpot: $440 million. Next Drawing (6/26)

POWERBALL DOUBLE PLAY: 12-17-50-53-64 PB: 20 (6/24). Next Estimated Jackpot: Up to $10 million. Next Drawing (6/26)

BIRTHDAYS

Editor's Note: Got a birthday or anniversary coming up? Send name, date and number of years (optional) to zelda@madisoncourier.com or call 812-265-3641. Please leave your name and phone number in case we have followup questions.

JUNE 27
Deana Smith Andrew

JUNE 28
Mike Armstrong
Marlon Maxey

JULY 1
Patty Chandler

JULY 2
Pam Cammack

JULY 3
Dwayne Bush

OBITUARIES

Clarence Vernon 'Cowboy' Blodgett

Clarence Vernon "Cowboy" Blodgett, age 104, of Bennington, Indiana, was born a mile and a half up the road from his current home in Bennington, Indiana. Clarence was one of seven boys born to the parents of, Charles Benjamin and Pearl Mae (Stout) Blodgett. Clarence passed away at 11:53 p.m., Thursday, June 22, 2023, at the Norton King's Health Hospital in Madison, Indiana.

Clarence will be missed by his son, Donald Blodgett of Bennington, IN; his daughter-in-law, Martha Ann (Werner) Blodgett of near Pleasant, IN; his grandson, Max Blodgett and his wife, Amber of Great Falls, MT; his granddaughter, Carrie Blodgett of Canaan, IN; his great-grandchildren, Griffin Blodgett, Cole Blodgett, Kaven Blodgett, Gabe Blodgett and Dale Blodgett and his several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Nettie L. (Cox) Blodgett; his son, Richard C. "Rick" Blodgett; his daughter, JoAnne Blodgett; his father, Charles Benjamin Blodgett; his mother, Pearl Mae (Stout) Blodgett, and his brothers, Charles E. Blodgett, David Paulmer Blodgett; Dawson E. Blodgett, Maurice Lee Blodgett, Samuel Morton Blodgett, and Ralph Wesley Blodgett.

Visitation will be held from 4 — 7 p.m., Thursday, June 29, 2023, at the Haskell & Morrison Funeral Home, 208 Ferry Street, Vevay, IN. 47043. Funeral services will be conducted at 11 a.m., Friday, June 30, 2023, by Pastor Bill Madison, at the Haskell & Morrison Funeral Home.

Interment and full military rites will be conducted by the Honor Guard of the Vevay American Legion Post #185 and the Vevay VFW Post #5396 in the Slawson Cemetery, Bennington, IN.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Slawson Cemetery or Bennington Community Church. Cards are available at the funeral home or online at www.haskellandmorrison.com

DEATH NOTICES

R. Brian Clark, 52, of Madison, IN, died unexpectedly on Tuesday, June 20, 2023, at his home. Funeral arrangements will be announced by the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres of Madison, www.morgan-nay.com.

Angelia "Angie" Paige Pecar Doll, 60, of Madison, IN, died on Sunday, June 25, 2023, at 2:03 p.m. at her residence in Madison, IN. Funeral arrangements will be announced by the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres of Madison , IN,-www.morgan-nay.com.

Bobby Ray Ellis, 78, of Hanover, IN, died on Saturday, June 24, 2023, at Norton King's Daughters' Health in Madison, IN. Funeral arrangements and additional information are pending at Lytle Welty Funeral Home and Cremation Service, Madison, www.lytlewelty.com.

Steve Humphrey, 71, of Madison, IN, died on Monday, June 26, 2023, at his home. Funeral arrangements will be announced by the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres in Madison, www.morgan-nay.com.

Jacky W. Suter, 54, of Lexington, IN, died on Sunday, June 25, 2023, at Norton Hospital in Louisville. Funeral arrangements will be announced by the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres in Madison, IN, www.morgan-nay.com.

Mary Jo Updike, 88, of North Vernon, IN, died on Thursday, June 22, 2023, at her residence. Funeral arrangements will be announced by the Dove-Sharp & Rudicel Funeral Home and Cremation Service in North Vernon, www.dove-sharprudicel.com

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

SWIM LESSONS

Madison Parks Department at Madison Junior High School pool. Madison Parks & Recreation will offer swim lessons and water aerobics in June and July. The two-week swim lessons meet four days per week for 30 minutes daily with six sessions between 9:30 a.m. and 12;30 p.m. at the MJHS pool. Cost is $50 per child. Water Aerobics will be offered for eight weeks Monday through Thursday from June 5 to July 27 at the MJHS pool from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. Cost is $30. To register for swim lessons or water aerobics online visit madisonin.gov/register or visit Madison City Hall.

MUSICIANS SOUGHT

Madison Community Concert Band

The Madison Community Concert Band is recruiting new members and anyone who plays an instrument is welcome to join even if it's been awhile since you have played.

The band rehearses at 7 p.m. on Tuesdays in the basement of the historic Brown Gym on Broadway. For more information, email mccb.indiana@gmail.com.

FOOD DISTRIBUTIONS

Salvation Army Food Bank

Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays
Noon to 1 p.m.
331 East Main St., Madison

A food giveaway at the red door on east side of building. Bring your own bags.

For more information, call 812-265-2157.

House of Hope Food Pantry

100 East Second St., Madison
Tuesdays — 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.
Fridays — 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

A food giveaway and distribution at the Jefferson County House of Hope Food Pantry in downtown Madison.

Please arrive at the pantry 15 minutes prior to closing to be served.

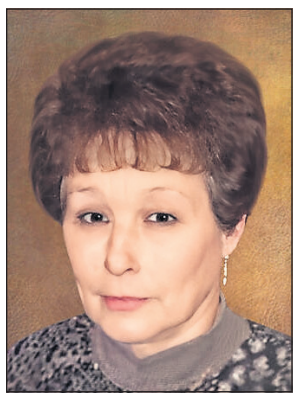
CLOTHING DISTRIBUTIONS

Jesus Clothes Closet

Trinity Methodist Church, Madison
Mondays — 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Jesus Clothes Closet at Trinity Methodist Church, 412 W. Main St., will distribute free clothing for those in need each Monday from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. For more information call 812-866-4843.

Doris Rosetta McDole Chatham



Doris Rosetta McDole Chatham, age 80, of Milton, Kentucky entered this life on May 16, 1943 in Trimble County, Kentucky. She was the loving son of the late Raymond Rand and Frances Mae McDowell McDole. She married James "Allen" Chatham on April 11, 1964 in Madison, Indiana. This happy union was blessed with 32 years of marriage until his death on August 28, 1996. She lived most of her life in Trimble County, Kentucky. She worked at Grote Industires for 33 years, retiring in May 2001. She was a member of the Madison VFW Post 1969 Auxiliary and enjoyed playing games on her computer and working puzzles. She dearly loved her dogs and the company they provided. She was a member of the Milton Baptist Church in Milton, Kentucky. Her proudest moment was becoming a mother to Debra and a grandmother to Jennifer and Braden. Doris died on Wednesday, June 21, 2023, at 7 a.m. at her home in Milton, Kentucky.

Doris will be missed by her loving daughter, Debra Lockridge Chatham of Milton, KY; her loving granddaughter, Jennifer Myrick and her loving grandson, Braden Lockridge; her special nieces and special nephew, Lisa Morgan, Eddie Whitaker, and Megan "Shannon" Bahlke; her brothers, Carl McDole of Madison, IN, Robert McDole of Bedford, KY; her sister, Ella Skirvin of Milton, KY; her brothers in law, Denny Richardson of Paris Crossing, IN, Ralph Chatham and his wife, Denise of Lexington, IN, Bobby Chatham and his wife, Pam of Vevay, IN, Doug Chatham and his wife, Sheila of Madison, IN; her sisters in laws, Doris Beard and her husband, Mike of Milton, KY, Charlene Davidson and her husband, Ed of Frankfort, KY, Sue Cull and her husband, Rick of Milton, KY; several nieces, nephews and other relatives.

She was preceded in death by her Father, Raymond Rand McDole, her Mother, Frances Mae McDowell, her brothers, Kenneth McDole, William McDole, R.D. McDole, her sisters, Marie Hendricks, Stella Aldridge and her husband Rick, Mary Humphrey, her beloved husband of 32 years, James "Allen" Chatham, died August 28, 1996.

Funeral services were conducted on Monday, June 26, 2023, by Pastor Keith Abrams at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre. Interment followed after service at the Moffett Cemetery in Milton, KY.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Jefferson County Animal Shelter or St. Judes. Cards are available at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres of Madison and Hanover. Online condolences, remembrances and memorials can be left at www.morgan-nay.com

Robert 'Burt' Lee Willhoite

Robert "Burt" Lee Willhoite, age 25, of Deputy, Indiana entered this life on July 9, 1997 in Madison, Indiana. He was the loving son of Robert Gene Willhoite and Sheryl Lynn Grubbs. He was raised in Madison residing all of his life in Jefferson County. He was a 2015 graduate of Madison Consolidated High School in Madison. He was blessed with a son, Ayden Christopher Lee Willhoite on June 10, 2016 with Mya Egerton. He was baptized by Pastor Scott Kollmann of the New Life Fellowship Church in Madison. He was currently a team leader on second shift with Arvin Sango in Madison since July 2020. He loved theme parks, riding roller coasters, his dog "Ghost", fishing, fast cars, 4-wheelers, play station 5 and loved all animals. Burt as he was known was a selfless man who always thought of others. He enjoyed his music, speaking his mind, and was a hard worker. Robert died on Wednesday, June 21, 2023, at 5:14 pm in a car accident near Deputy, Indiana.

Robert will be missed by his loving parents, Robert Gene Willhoite and Sheryl Lynn Grubbs of Madison, IN; his beloved son, Ayden Christopher Lee Willhoite of Madison, IN; his girl friend, Kylee Hart of Madison, IN; his loving maternal grandma, Judy Jewell of Madison, IN; his loving maternal grandpa, Tony Grubbs of Madison, IN; his aunt, Vicky Grubbs of Madison, IN; his uncles and his aunts, Mike and Angie Grubbs of Madison, IN Nate and Michelle Monroe of Madison, IN; several cousins, great aunts, great uncles and other relatives. He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Betty Bear, Tony Bear, Judy Grubbs and Robert C. Willhoite.

Funeral services will be conducted Thursday, June 29, 2023, at 11 a.m., by Pastor Scott Kollman at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre, 325 Demaree Drive in Madison, Indiana.

Friends may visit Wednesday from 2 — 7 p.m. and Thursday from 10 a.m. until the time of service at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre, 325 Demaree Drive in Madison, Indiana.

Memorial contributions may be made to Ayden's Education Fund or the Jefferson County Animal Shelter. Cards are available at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres of Madison and Hanover. Online condolences, remembrances and memorials can be left at www.morgan-nay.com

Robert Dale 'Bob' Hughes

Robert Dale "Bob" Hughes, age 89 Years, of Sandusky, Ohio, formerly of Madison, Indiana and Fort Myers, Florida entered this life on December 8, 1933, in Madison, Indiana. He was the loving son of the late Robert Ellsworth and Mae Elizabeth Giltner Hughes. He grew up in Jefferson County and was a 1951 graduate of Dupont High School. He attended Indiana University for two years and was inducted into the United States Army and served his country for two years. He was united in marriage to Carol McIntyre on August 8, 1953, and they enjoyed 46 years of marriage together before her death on November 26, 1999. Bob worked with Williamson Company from 1952-1953 as a welder, then was a tool and die apprentice at Product Engineering Company (PECO) in Columbus, Indiana from 1953 thru 1957. Bob founded, Clifty Engineering on November 24, 1961, in Madison and had been the CEO until his death. The modern facility of 1,200 square feet has grown to 60,000 square feet today and employs 40 employees. Bob enjoyed and supported many community endeavors, Dupont Masonic Lodge No 419 F. & A.M., Madison Area Chamber of Commerce, Madison Fire Department No. 5, Jefferson County United Way, Madison Port Authority, Madison Regatta, American Power Boat Association, Unlimited Racing Commission, and his passion, Director and President of Miss Madison since 1970. For more than three decades, Bob Hughes served as president of the board of directors of Miss Madison, Inc, the corporation that administers the community-owned U-6 race team from southern Indiana. Bob was recognized for his contributions to the sport by receiving the Unlimited Sportsman of the Year Award in 1983 and the prestigious Gar Wood Award in 2003. Bob became a friend of the Miss Madison in 1965 when asked by his friend Tony Steinhardt for financial and machine shop support for the struggling Miss Madison. It has been stated that if it were not for the leadership of Bob Hughes there would be no Miss Madison. One of Bob's proudest moments was on July 4, 1971, when Miss Madison with driver Jim McCormick won the APBA Gold Cup on the home waters in Madison, Indiana. In 2000, Bob negotiated a sponsorship deal with Oberto Sausage Company in Seattle. Bob will be long remembered by the Miss Madison team and the Madison Regatta for his many contributions and leadership. He was a member and supporter of the Madison Elks Club No. 524, Madison Moose Lodge, No 765 and the Madison Presbyterian Church. He was united in marriage to Patricia Ruth Hedrington on August 8, 2011, in Seattle, Washington. He and Patricia enjoyed wintering in Fort Myers, Florida and he loved golfing and watching the Indianapolis Colts Football, Cincinnati Reds Baseball, and Indiana University Basketball. Although Bob and Carol never had any children, he considered the employees of Clifty Engineering his family. Bob passed from this life on Wednesday, June 14, 2023, at 7:30 a.m. at Parkvue Health Care in Sandusky, Ohio.

Bob will be missed by his loving wife, Patricia Ruth Hedrington-Hughes of Sandusky, OH; his sisters in law, Bonnie Gullickson, Janice DeWitz, and Judy Elliott and her husband, Marv; and his Clifty Engineering Family; several nieces, nephews and other relatives.

He was preceded in death by his father, Robert Ellsworth Hughes, his mother, Mae Elizabeth Giltner Hughes, his brother, Charles Evan Hughes, and his wife, Dorothy Jean, his half-brother, Gerald Emmett Law and his wife, Betty, his half-sister, Ilda Tindall, his first wife, Carol L. McIntyre Hughes.

Funeral services will be conducted on Wednesday, June 28, 2023, at 11 a.m., by Jim Grant and H-1 Chaplain Jim Riley at the Madison Presbyterian Church, 202 Broadway Street in downtown Madison, Indiana. Interment will be private in the Dupont Cemetery in Dupont, Indiana.

Friends may visit on Tuesday, June 27, 2023, from 4 -7 p.m. in the Regatta Room at the Madison Fairfield Inn & Suites Madison Historic Eagle Cotton Mill, 108 Saint Michaels Avenue in downtown Madison, Indiana and Wednesday, June 28, 2023, from 9:30 — 10:30 a.m. in the Brown Room of the Madison Presbyterian Church, 202 Broadway Street in downtown Madison, Indiana.

A final salute with Military honors will be provided by the Major Samuel Woodfill Post No. 9 of the American Legion.

Memorial contributions may be made to Historic Madison, Inc. or Miss Madison. Cards are available at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres of Madison and Hanover or at the church. Online condolences, remembrances and memorials can be left at www.morgan-nay.com

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Foy honored to serve as Madison 10K starter

BY BOB DEMAREE

For Heather Foy to be the honorary starter for the 44th running of the Madison Area Running Club's Firecracker 10K, is something special to her that she never anticipated.

"I certainly am humbled. I certainly did not expect it," said Foy, recognizing the honor that was given to her by the Madison Area Run Club, organizers of the event since 2021. "It was kind for them to think I was deserving."

Foy has competed in the 10K for nearly two decades, beginning in 2001, but the last two years she set aside running to serve as race director. "I felt this year, with some other projects on my plate, I would step down as the race chair" while still making herself available to help.

The tradition of having an honorary starter is one that has existed throughout the 41 years that the event was hosted by The Madison Courier, and one that has continued by the Madison Area Run Club. For the first race in 1979, the honorary starter was Rafer Johnson, the 1960 Olympic gold medalist in the decathlon. But as years went by, the honorary starter wasn't always necessarily a champion athlete.

"As a runner for many years, I always thought it was so neat when they took somebody that wasn't always the one with accolades but they impacted the running community in some way," said Foy. "There were so many deserving folks that were given the distinction of being the honorary race starter, so I was very humbled when they asked me."

And Foy is definitely someone who has impacted the running community, playing an integral role in the establishing the Madison Area Run Club 10 years ago in 2013. "I always thought this community needed a run club,"

Bob Demaree

2023 Firecracker 10K Run/Walk start Heather Foy, who served the last two years as the race director for the Madison Area Run Club

said Foy, who was motived to make it happen when she was at a Starbucks in Bloomington and saw a flyer for a Bloomington area run club. Realizing Madison isn't as a big of community as Bloomington, she was undeterred and thought, "I've got lots of friends that run and we can get a run club started." So, she held an interest meeting and "I was shocked when we had 40 people show up."

Having a running club is a chance for runners "to support each other through injuries and through training plans," Foy said. "We all need motivation at times to keep going. I wanted new runners to feel comfortable when starting" and it provided the opportunity for runners to share the experiences by going to races together, stretching in groups before the race and "talking about all those things runners love to talk about" such as hydration and what they eat on the morning of a race.

"The camaraderie was really neat," she said.

Foy has also been a leader in the Girls on the Run program that has operated in Jefferson County since 2009. "I was able to secure some grant funding and received some initial training," she said of the program that operates under the auspices of Norton King's Daughters' Health.

The Girls on the Run program in Jefferson County covers 10 weeks in the fall for twice a week, 75-minute sessions for girls in grades 3-5 at schools throughout the county. Foy is the program coordinator who trains the coaches at the various schools. She said the program includes a curriculum for the girls to celebrate their special gifts, resolve conflict and work together as a team with the program ending with a celebratory 5K fun run "that's all about crossing the finish line" while making it a fun event.

"We've watched that program grow from one site with 12 girls to now offering it to almost every elementary school" in Jefferson County, said Foy, who described Girls on the Run as a "character development program that uses the power of running to teach self-esteem and teamwork and confidence."

Foy has actively exercised all of her life but she didn't become a runner until adulthood. "I grew up as a gymnast turned college cheerleader/dancer," she said. "Exercise has always been a huge part of my life but I was still never a runner."

In fact, Foy didn't really like to run early in life even though she was invlved in exercise, cheerleading and dance and later as an instructor. "If you asked me to run one mile, I would have complained the whole way. There were days I could teach two classes back-to-back and not be winded," and do all sorts of other exercise. "I felt like I was in good condition but running seemed too hard."

It wasn't until a friend asked Foy on a dare to run a mini-marathon with her because she needed a support person. "I had never run a 5K" but Foy got on a training program and after time she was able to go the miles, and she's been a runner ever since.

Foy also continues to exercise in all the other ways that she did before running. "I started with one team and 15 girls" in 2002, and in the past year there have been eight teams and 96 girls. "That's been fun and very rewarding," she said.

Foy, who has been the wellness coordinator at Norton King's Daughters' Health since January 1997, is a 1996 graduate of the University of Louisville with a bachelor of science degree in exercise science and sports medicine. While at U of L, Foy was a cheerleader for the University of Louisville, and also a member of the Lady Birds, the university's dance team.

Over the years, she has taught cheerleading camps around the nation. For nine years, she coached the cheerleaders at Southwestern, and for the last three years, she has coached the cheerleaders at Hanover College.

Foy's dedication to fitness and exercise was instilled in her by her father, the Rev. J.D. Traylor, pastor of Hanover Baptist Church and owner of Fit for the King gym. "My dad has been a huge role model for me. He will be 73 this year, and exercises almost every day and takes such good care of himself. I grew up in a household where we were taught that your body is a temple, and you only get one, and you should take really good care of it."

Even though much of Foy's life is dedicated to fitness and wellness, she's been active in the community in many other ways. She's served on County Council since first being elected in 2016, and sits on the public defender board. She's been a member of Tri Kappa for more than two decades, twice serving as president. And a longtime member of Hanover Baptist Church.

Foy and her husband, Mike, the running backs coach for the Hanover College football team, have two sons, Bryce, 21, who is serving in the U.S. Army, and Colin, who will be a senior at Madison Consolidated High School.

Over the years, Foy has competed in many road races of various lengths, but the Firecracker 10K has always been her favorite.

"It's always exhilarating coming down Hanging Rock," said Foy, making it a course that she loves to run. And even more, the race that coincides close to Independence Day makes it special. "I love that it's a holiday weekend and as part of Regatta Week because "when I go there not only am I going to see local friends, but there are folks that return to Madison ... I run into girls I coached decades ago that are there running. That's exciting for me to see they are there still valuing exercise."

This year's Madison Firecracker 10K will be held Saturday, July 1, beginning at 8 a.m. The 6.2-mile run/walk will begin at the Madison Consolidated High School parking lot, travel through the Madison State Hospital grounds, head down Hanging Rock Hill to downtown Madison to Third Street where the finish line will be on Broadway Street alongside Gaines Park.

Register at https://www.racemenu.com/events/216091-Madison-Firecracker-10K- where the cost is $32.98 for each the run and the walk. Final online registration Tuesday, June 27, at midnight. Race day registration will be from 6:45 a.m. to 7:45 a.m. at the same cost as the online fee.

Regatta Pageant winners

Photos by Bob Demaree

Allie Thornsberry (center) was the winner of Miss Teen Regatta pageant on Saturday. Cambree Tingle (left) was second runner-up and Emma Lamb (right) was first runner-up.

Hallie Ames (center) was the winner of Little Miss Regatta pageant on Saturday. Paisley Bennett (left) was first runner-up and Leila Hickey (right) was second runner-up.

Katlyn Thomas (center) was the winner of Miss Preteen Regatta pageant on Saturday. Lilly Clark (left) was first runner-up and Paisley Hendrix was second runner-up.

Adalyn Oak (center) was the winner of the Miss Princess Regatta pageant on Saturday. Kingsley Copeland (left) was second runner-up and Harper Baker (right) was first runner-up.

WEEK

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is a seventh grader at Madison Junior High School. Second runner-up was Paisley Hendrix, 13, of Madison, daughter of Jennifer Hendrix and Eric Hendrix. She is a freshman at Southwestern High School

Miss Princess was for girls ages 9-11. Oak, 9, of Carrollton, Kentucky, is the daughter of Sarah Oak. She is a fourth grader at Cartmell Elementary School. First runner-up was Harper Baker, 10, of Madison, daughter of Kevin and Samantha Baker. She is a fifth grader at Madison Junior High School. Second runner-up was Kingsley Copeland, 10, of Madison, daughter of Brent and Robyn Copeland. She is a fifth grader at Pope John Elementary School.

Little Miss contest was for girls ages 6-8. Ames, 6, Madison, is the daughter of Austin Ames and Kelsey Bladen. She is a second grader at Southwestern Elementary School. First runner-up was Paisley Bennett, 7, Versailles, daughter of Chris and Megan Bennett. She is a second grader at South Ripley Elementary School. Second runner-up was Leila Hickey, 8, Madison, daughter of Logan and Charla Hickey. She is a third grader at Old Mill Elementary School.

Seven more contestants were to compete Monday night in the Miss Madison Regatta pageant at Opal Sherman Auditorium.

Meanwhile, the Regatta Cutie Pie and Baby contests will be Thursday, June 29, at Bicentennial Park with registration starting at 5:30 p.m. The Baby contest will begin at 6:30 p.m. to be followed by the Cutie Pie contest. Registration for the Cutie Pie and Baby contests will be on the June 29 day of the event with the entry fee $20 per contestant to be paid in cash. No checks accepted. Boys and girls from 0 to 23 months are eligible for the Baby contest. They will compete in a red, white and blue outfit or swimwear. Boys and girls from 2 years to 5 years are eligible for the Cutie Pie contest. They will compete in red, white and blue summer wear.

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A daily pill may work as well as Wegovy shots to treat obesity

BY JONEL ALECCIA
ASSOCIATED PRESS

What if treating obesity could be as easy as popping an effective pill?

That's a notion that has long fueled hope for many of the more than 40% of Americans who are considered obese — and fueled criticism by those who advocate for wider weight acceptance. Soon, it may be a reality.

High-dose oral versions of the medication in the weight-loss drug Wegovy may work as well as the popular injections when it comes to paring pounds and improving health, according to final results of two studies released Sunday night. The potent tablets also appear to work for people with diabetes, who notoriously struggle to lose weight.

Drugmaker Novo Nordisk plans to ask the U.S. Food and Drug Administration to approve the pills later this year.

"If you ask people a random question, 'Would you rather take a pill or an injection?' People overwhelmingly prefer a pill," said Dr. Daniel Bessesen, chief of endocrinology at Denver Health, who treats patients with obesity but was not involved in the new research.

That's assuming, Bessesen said, that both ways to take the medications are equally effective, available and affordable. "Those are the most important factors for people," he said.

There have been other weight-loss pills on the market, but none that achieve the substantial reductions seen with injected drugs like Wegovy. People with obesity will be "thrilled" to have an oral option that's as effective, said Dr. Katherine Saunders, clinical professor of medicine at Weill Cornell Health and co-founder of Intellihealth, a company that focuses on obesity treatment.

Novo Nordisk already sells Rybelsus, which is approved to treat diabetes and is an oral version of semaglutide, the same medication used in the diabetes drug Ozempic and Wegovy. It comes in doses up to 14 milligrams.

But results of two gold-standard trials released at the American Diabetes Association's annual meeting looked at how doses of oral semaglutide as high as 25 milligrams and 50 milligrams worked to reduce weight and improve blood sugar and other health markers.

A 16-month study of about 1,600 people who were overweight or had obesity and were already being treated for Type 2 diabetes found the high-dose daily pills lowered blood sugar significantly better than the standard dose of Rybelsus. From a baseline weight of 212 pounds (96.16 kilograms), the higher doses also resulted in weight loss of between 15 pounds (6.80 kilograms) to 20 pounds (9.07 kilograms), compared to about 10 pounds (4.54 kilograms) on the lower dose.

Another 16-month study of more than 660 adults who had obesity or were overweight with at least one related disease — but not diabetes — found the 50-milligram daily pill helped people lose an average of about 15% of their body weight, or about 35 pounds (15.88 kilograms), versus about 6 pounds (2.72 kilograms) with a dummy pill, or placebo.

That's "notably consistent" with the weight loss spurred by weekly shots of the highest dose of Wegovy, the study authors said.

But there were side effects. About 80% of participants receiving any size dose of oral semaglutide experienced things like mild to moderate intestinal problems, such as nausea, constipation and diarrhea.

In the 50-milligram obesity trial, there was evidence of higher rates of benign tumors in people who took the drug versus a placebo. In addition, about 13% of those who took the drug had "altered skin sensation" such as tingling or extra sensitivity.

Medical experts predict the pills will be popular, especially among people who want to lose weight but are fearful of needles. Plus, tablets would be more portable than injection pens and they don't have to be stored in the refrigerator.

But the pills aren't necessarily a better option for the hundreds of thousands of people already taking injectable versions such as Ozempic or Wegovy, said Dr. Fatima Cody Stanford, an obesity medicine expert at Massachusetts General Hospital.

"I don't find significant hesitancy surrounding receiving an injection," she said. "A lot of people like the ease of taking a medication once a week."

In addition, she said, some patients may actually prefer shots to the new pills, which have to be taken 30 minutes before eating or drinking in the morning.

Paul Morer, 56, who works for a New Jersey hospital system, lost 85 pounds using Wegovy and hopes to lose 30 more. He said he would probably stick with the weekly injections, even if pills were available.

When wealthy adventurers take huge risks, who should pay for rescue attempts?

BY ADAM GELLER AND WYATTE GRANTHAM-PHILIPS
ASSOCIATED PRESS

When millionaire Steve Fossett's plane went missing over the Nevada range in 2007, the swashbuckling adventurer had already been the subject of two prior emergency rescue operations thousands of miles apart.

And that prompted a prickly question: After a sweeping search for the wealthy risktaker ended, who should foot the bill?

In recent days, the massive hunt for a submersible vehicle lost during a north Atlantic descent to explore the wreckage of the Titanic has refocused attention on that conundrum. And with rescuers and the public fixated first on saving and then on mourning those aboard, it has again made for uneasy conversation.

"Five people have just lost their lives and to start talking about insurance, all the rescue efforts and the cost can seem pretty heartless — but the thing is, at the end of the day, there are costs," said Arun Upneja, dean of Boston University's School of Hospitality Administration and a researcher on tourism.

"There are many people who are going to say, 'Why should the society spend money on the rescue effort if (these people) are wealthy enough to be able to ... engage in these risky activities?' "

That question is gaining attention as very wealthy travelers in search of singular adventures spend big to scale peaks, sail across oceans and blast off for space.

The U.S. Coast Guard declined Friday to provide a cost estimate for its efforts to locate the Titan, the submersible investigators say imploded not far from the world's most famous shipwreck. The five people lost included a billionaire British businessman and a father and son from one of Pakistan's most prominent families. The operator charged passengers $250,000 each to participate in the voyage.

"We cannot attribute a monetary value to Search and Rescue cases, as the Coast Guard does not associate cost with saving a life," the agency said.

While the Coast Guard's cost for the mission is likely to run into the millions of dollars, it is generally prohibited by federal law from collecting reimbursement related to any search or rescue service, said Stephen Koerting, a U.S. attorney in Maine who specializes in maritime law.

Available to Adopt

Handout

Precious, is a young female dog who has resided at the Jefferson County Animal Shelter for far too long and is excited to find her forever home. She loves being outdoors and running around. She is about a year old, fully vetted and up to date on all vaccines. She would do great in an active house or somewhere she can play. For more information on Precious and all the other puppies and dogs and kitten and cats awaiting adoption, visit the shelter Facebook page or www.sisaveapet.com or call 812-273-1788.

FRYE

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and businesses, supporting our men and women in uniform, or standing up for the sanctity of life, I believe we've made tremendous progress during my time in the legislature and Indiana's future is only getting brighter."

"Randy spent his legislative career as a strong advocate for all Hoosiers who serve or served our state or nation in uniform. Whether that's standing up for the men and women in the fire service, law enforcement or military, he understood their needs and worked hard to find solutions on their behalf," said House Speaker Todd Huston (R-Fishers). "I wish him well in retirement."

The Southeast Indiana lawmaker authored legislation in 2015, creating the Indiana State Fire Academy, which established a standard curriculum for all firefighting units in the state. Frye served with the Indianapolis Fire Department for more than 20 years before becoming a state legislator.

STORM

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True said Duke Energy reported approximately 300 residences lost power in Jefferson County but crews responded and power was restored.

A tornado was reported in Jennings County in the vicinity of Lovett, knocking down several trees and breaking out windows at a home.

The Associated Press reported that a tornado killed a Martin County man and injured his wife as part of Sunday's storm system that pushed through a rural area of that county. A tornado also touched down Sunday afternoon in the southern Indianapolis suburbs of Johnson County, damaging at least 75 homes, authorities said.

The Indiana man was killed when the tornado hit his home in an isolated wooded area. His injured wife was flown by helicopter to a hospital, said Cameron Wolf, Martin County's emergency management director. The newer log cabin-style house was destroyed as a storm that also had large hail and strong winds raked the area about 85 miles southwest of Indianapolis.

Another tornado touched down Sunday afternoon the suburban Indianapolis communities of Greenwood and Bargersville, officials said. Bargersville Fire Chief Erik Funkhouser said at least 75 homes suffered moderate to severe damage in a 3-mile area as the tornado crossed Indiana State Road 135 in the vicinity of Interstate 69. No deaths or injuries were reported from that tornado, which officials estimated was on the ground for about 15 minutes.

High winds caused tens of thousands of homes and businesses to lose electricity in Tennessee, Arkansas and Michigan.

Sheriff's officials say two people were killed and a third was injured Sunday night in the central Arkansas community of Carlisle when a tree fell onto a home.

In the city of Millington, located north of Memphis, officials reported multiple rescues from homes and cars and planes overturned at the city's small airport. No injuries were immediately reported. The fire department reported extensive wind damage that knocked down trees, leading to road closures.

The storm caused more than 120,000 power outages in the Memphis area, with most of those homes and businesses still without electricity on Monday, utility officials said. More than 80,000 outages were reported in Michigan, mostly in the Detroit area.

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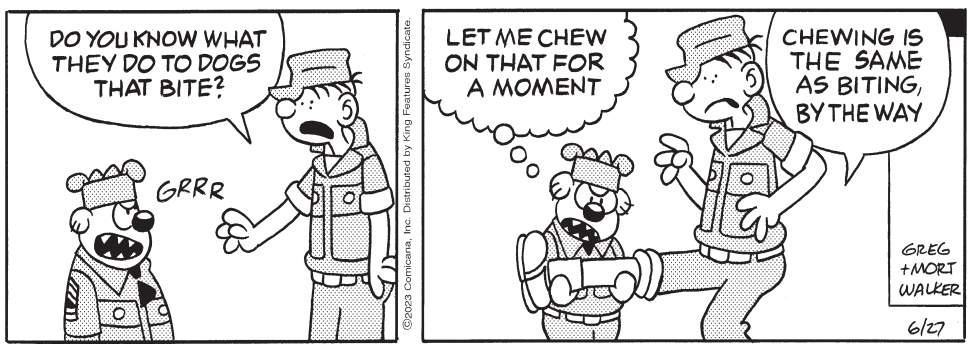
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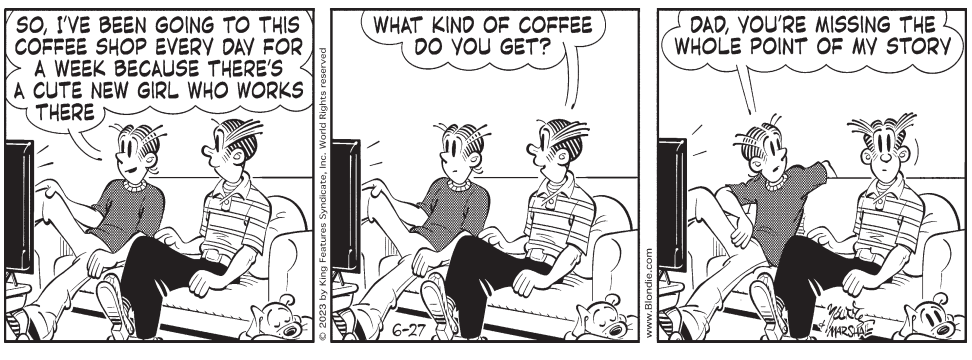
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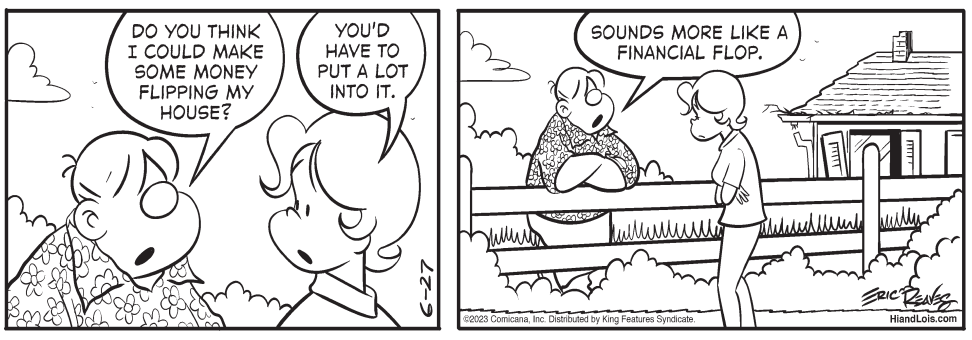
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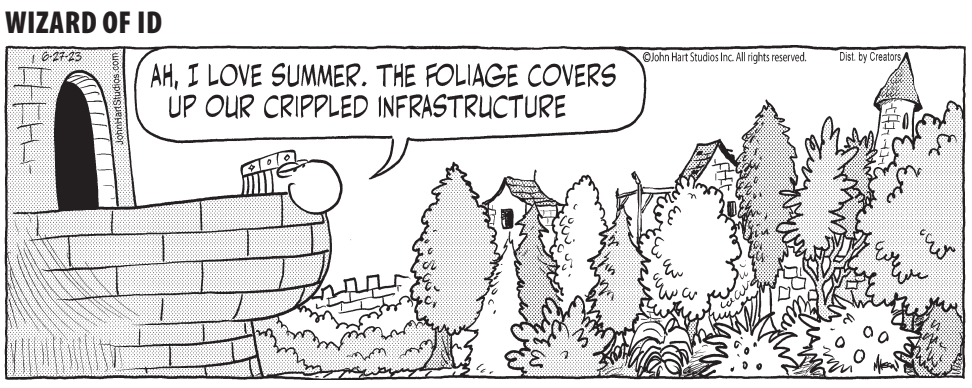
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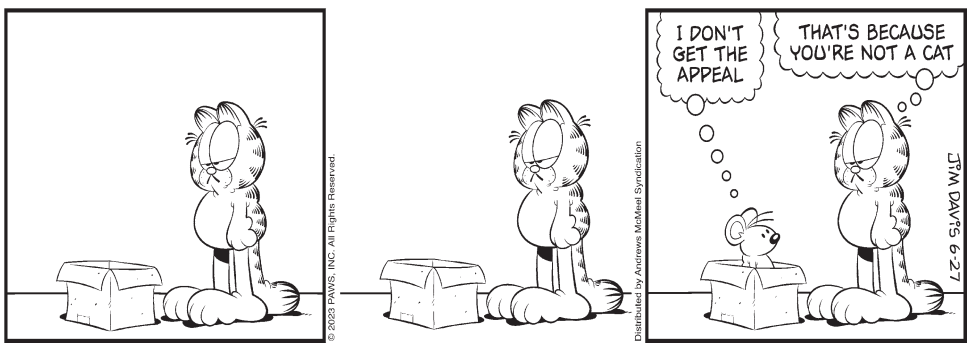
I DON'T GET THE APPEAL
THAT'S BECAUSE YOU'RE NOT A CAT
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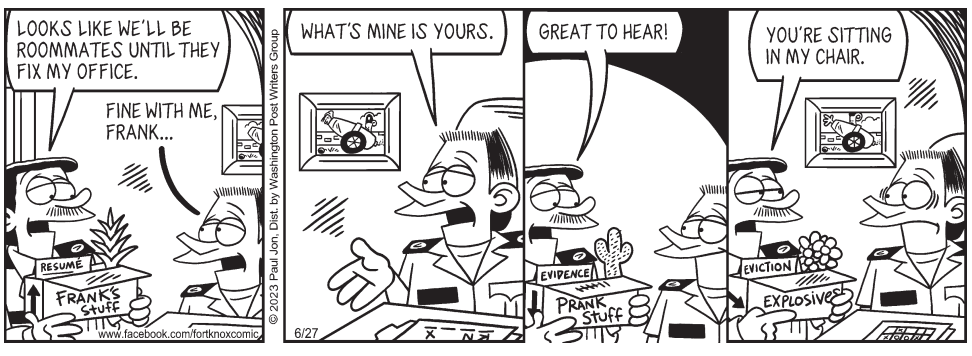

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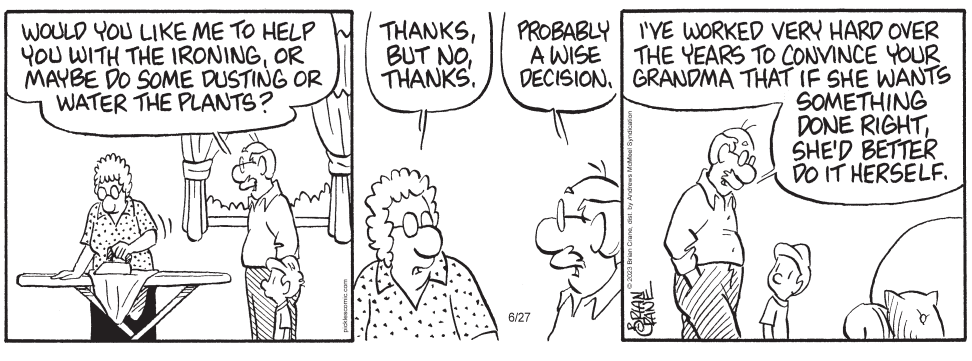
WOULD YOU LIKE ME TO HELP YOU WITH THE IRONING, OR MAYBE DO SOME DUSTING OR WATER THE PLANTS?
THANKS, BUT NO, THANKS.
PROBABLY A WISE DECISION.
I'VE WORKED VERY HARD OVER THE YEARS TO CONVINCE YOUR GRANDMA THAT IF SHE WANTS SOMETHING DONE RIGHT, SHE'D BETTER DO IT HERSELF.
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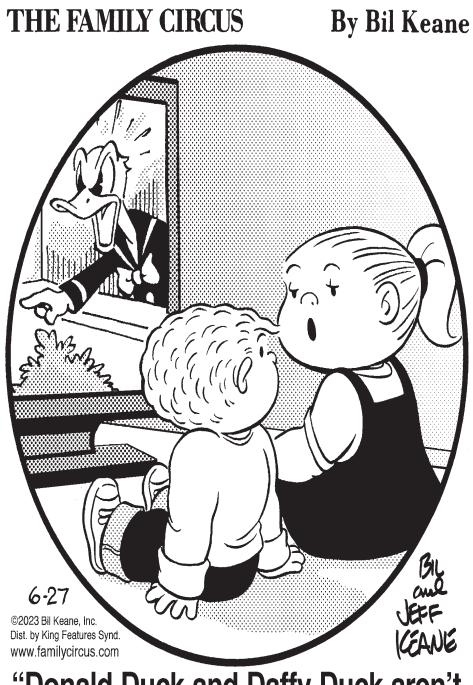
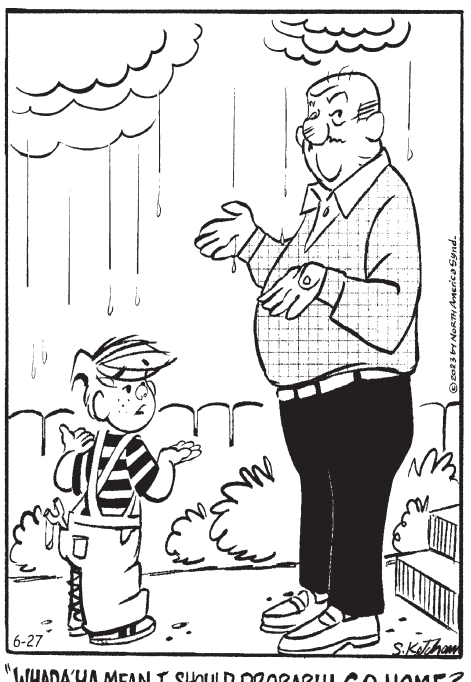
FAMILY CIRCUS



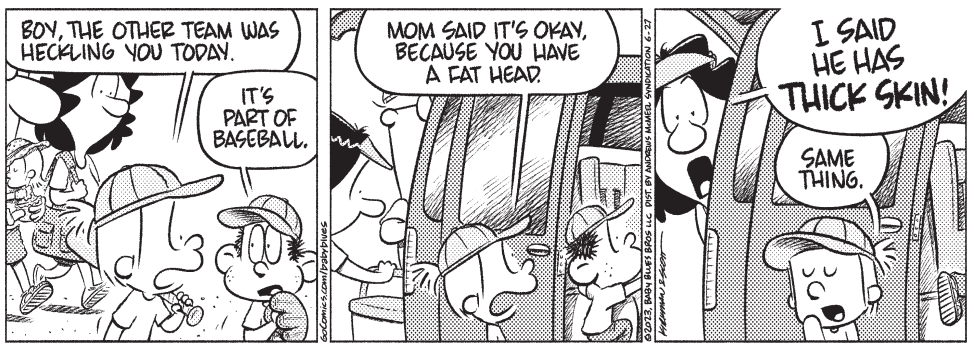
"Donald Duck and Daffy Duck aren't brothers. They just have the same last name."

DENNIS THE MENACE



"WHADA'YA MEAN I SHOULD PROBABLY GO HOME? IT'S RAININ' THERE TOO."

BABY BLUES


BOY, THE OTHER TEAM WAS HECKLING YOU TODAY.
IT'S PART OF BASEBALL.
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MOM SAID IT'S OKAY, BECAUSE YOU HAVE A FAT HEAD.
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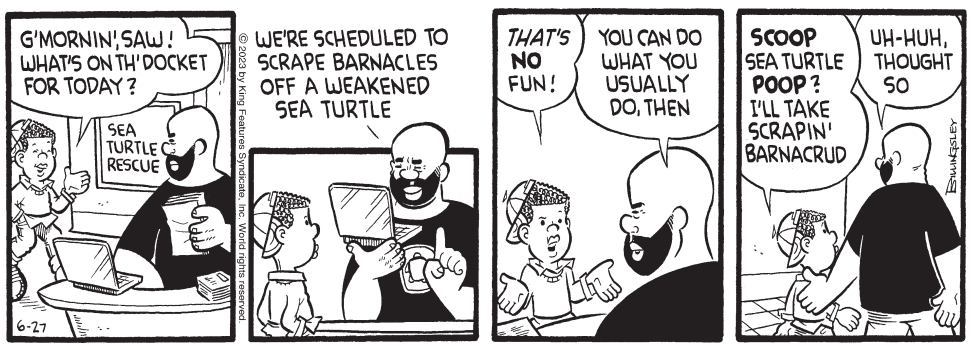
I SAID HE HAS THICK SKIN!
SAME THING.

CURTIS


G'MORNIN', SAW! WHAT'S ON TH' DOCKET FOR TODAY?
SEA TURTLE RESCUE
WE'RE SCHEDULED TO SCRAPE BARNACLES OFF A WEAKENED SEA TURTLE
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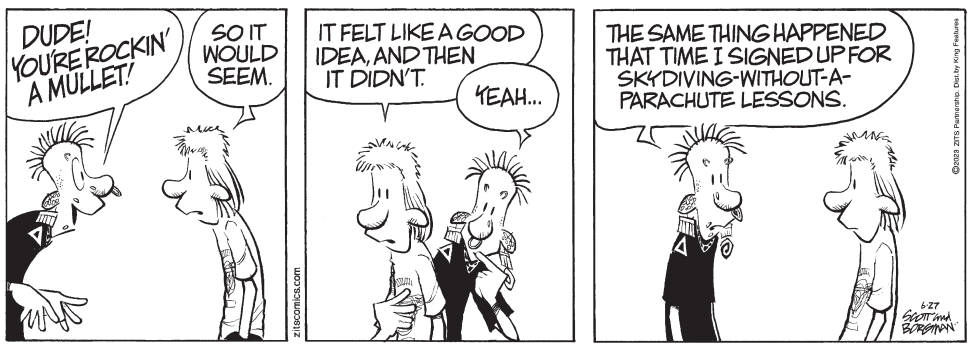
THAT'S NO FUN!
YOU CAN DO WHAT YOU USUALLY DO, THEN
SCOOP SEA TURTLE POOP? I'LL TAKE SCRAPIN' BARNACRUD
UH-HUH, THOUGHT SO
BENSHELEY

ZITS


DUDE! YOU'RE ROCKIN' A MULLET!
SO IT WOULD SEEM.
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IT FELT LIKE A GOOD IDEA, AND THEN IT DIDN'T.
YEAH...
THE SAME THING HAPPENED THAT TIME I SIGNED UP FOR SKYDIVING-WITHOUT-A-PARACHUTE LESSONS.
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SCOTT HILBURN BORGMAN

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today's Highlight in History:

On June 27, 2016, the U.S. Supreme Court issued its strongest defense of abortion rights in a quarter-century, striking down Texas' widely replicated rules that sharply reduced abortion clinics.

On this date:

In 1844, Mormon leader Joseph Smith and his brother, Hyrum, were killed by a mob in Carthage, Illinois.

In 1880, author-lecturer Helen Keller, who lived most of her life without sight or hearing, was born in Tuscumbia, Alabama.

In 1942, the FBI announced the arrests of eight Nazi saboteurs put ashore in Florida and Long Island, New York. (All were tried and sentenced to death; six were executed while two were spared for turning themselves in and cooperating with U.S. authorities.)

In 1944, during World War II, American forces liberated the French port of Cherbourg (SHEHR'-boorg) from the Germans.

In 1950, the U.N. Security Council passed a resolution calling on member nations to help South Korea repel an invasion from the North.

In 1957, Hurricane Audrey slammed into coastal Louisiana and Texas as a Category 4 storm; the official death toll from the storm was placed at 390, although a variety of state, federal and local sources have estimated the number of fatalities at between 400 and 600.

In 1974, President Richard Nixon opened an official visit to the Soviet Union.

In 1991, Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall, the first Black jurist to sit on the nation's highest court, announced his retirement. (His departure led to the contentious nomination of Clarence Thomas to succeed him.)

In 2005, BTK serial killer Dennis Rader pleaded guilty to 10 murders that had spread fear across Wichita, Kansas, beginning in the 1970s.

In 2006, a constitutional amendment to ban desecration of the American flag died in a Senate cliffhanger, falling one vote short of the 67 needed to send it to states for ratification.

In 2011, former Illinois Gov. Rod Blagojevich was convicted by a federal jury in Chicago on a wide range of corruption charges, including the allegation that he'd tried to sell or trade President Barack Obama's U.S. Senate seat. (Blagojevich was later sentenced to 14 years in prison; his sentence was commuted by President Donald Trump in February 2020.)

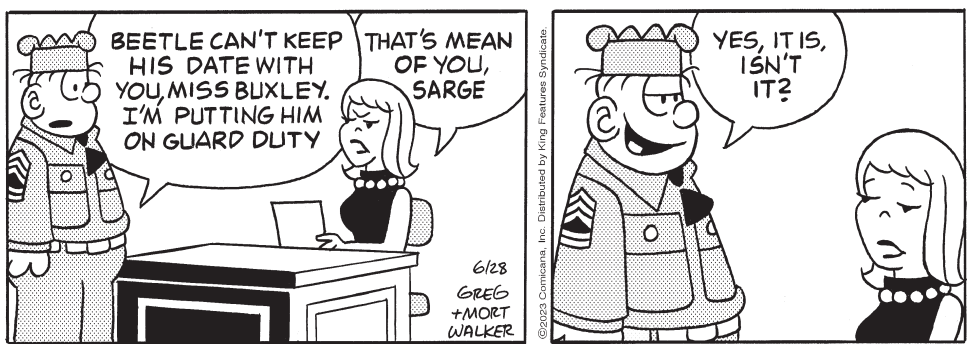
Ten years ago: The Senate passed, 68-32, comprehensive legislation offering the hope of citizenship to millions of immigrants living illegally in America's shadows; however, the measure became stalled in the GOP-led House. President Barack Obama visited Senegal, where he urged African leaders to extend equal rights to gays and lesbians but was bluntly rebuked by Senegal's president, Macky Sall, who said his country "still isn't ready" to decriminalize homosexuality. Kevin Rudd was sworn in as Australian prime minister a day after toppling rival Julia Gillard.

Five years ago: Supreme Court Justice Anthony Kennedy, whose vote often decided cases on abortion, gay rights and other contentious issues, announced his retirement. The Supreme Court ruled that government workers can't be forced to contribute to labor unions that represent them in collective bargaining. Joe Jackson, the patriarch of the singing Jackson family, died in Las Vegas at the age of 89.

One year ago: Ukrainian officials said scores of civilians were feared killed after a Russian missile strike hit a crowded shopping mall in the central city of Kremenchuk. Ukraine's president said the number of victims was "unimaginable," citing reports that more than 1,000 civilians were inside at the time of the attack. The Supreme Court said a high school football coach who sought to kneel and pray on the field after games was protected by the Constitution. Opponents said the decision would open the door to "much more coercive prayer" in public schools. Ken Williams, who wrote or co-wrote hundred of tunes for a vast array of performers, including The Main Ingredient's hit "Everybody Plays the Fool," died at age 83.

Today's Birthdays: Former Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt is 85. Singer-musician Bruce Johnston (The Beach Boys) is 81. Fashion designer Vera Wang is 74. Actor Julia Duffy is 72. Actor Isabelle Adjani is 68. Country singer Lorrie Morgan is 64. Actor Brian Drillinger is 63. Writer-producer-director J.J. Abrams is 57. Former Sen. Kelly Ayotte, R-N.H., is 55. Olympic gold and bronze medal figure skater Viktor Petrenko is 54. Latin singer Draco Rosa is 54. Actor Edward "Grapevine" Fordham Jr. is 53. TV personality Jo Frost is 53. Actor Yancey Arias is 52. Actor Christian Kane is 51. Actor Tobey Maguire is 48. Gospel singer Leigh Nash is 47. Christian rock singer Zach Williams is 45. Musician Chris Eldridge (Punch Brothers) is 41. Reality TV star Khloe Kardashian is 39. Actor Drake Bell is 37. Actor Sam Claflin is 37. Actor India de Beaufort is 36. Actor Ed Westwick is 36. Actor Matthew Lewis is 34.

BEETLE BAILEY


BEETLE CAN'T KEEP HIS DATE WITH YOU, MISS BUXLEY. I'M PUTTING HIM ON GUARD DUTY
THAT'S MEAN OF YOU, SARGE
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GREG + MORT WALKER
YES, IT IS, ISN'T IT?
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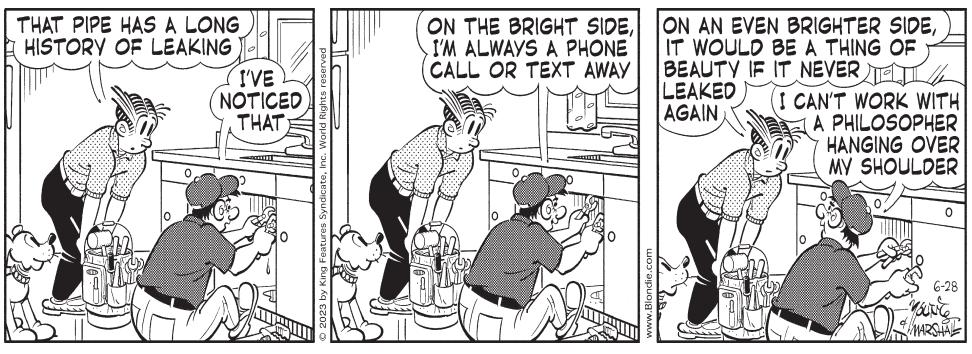
THAT PIPE HAS A LONG HISTORY OF LEAKING
I'VE NOTICED THAT
ON THE BRIGHT SIDE, I'M ALWAYS A PHONE CALL OR TEXT AWAY
ON AN EVEN BRIGHTER SIDE, IT WOULD BE A THING OF BEAUTY IF IT NEVER LEAKED AGAIN
I CAN'T WORK WITH A PHILOSOPHER HANGING OVER MY SHOULDER
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HI & LOIS

HERE'S YOUR DINNER, TRIXIE.
IT'S ALL ORGANIC!
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DOES ORGANIC MEAN IT'S MADE WITH HEARTS, LIVERS AND LUNGS?!
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ERIC REYNOLDS

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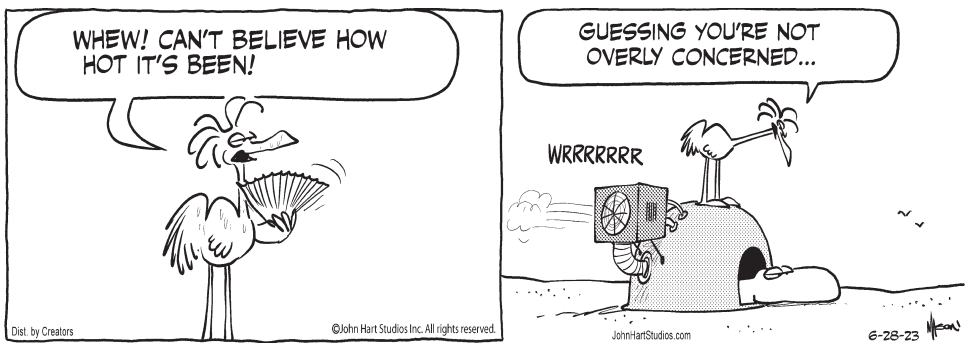

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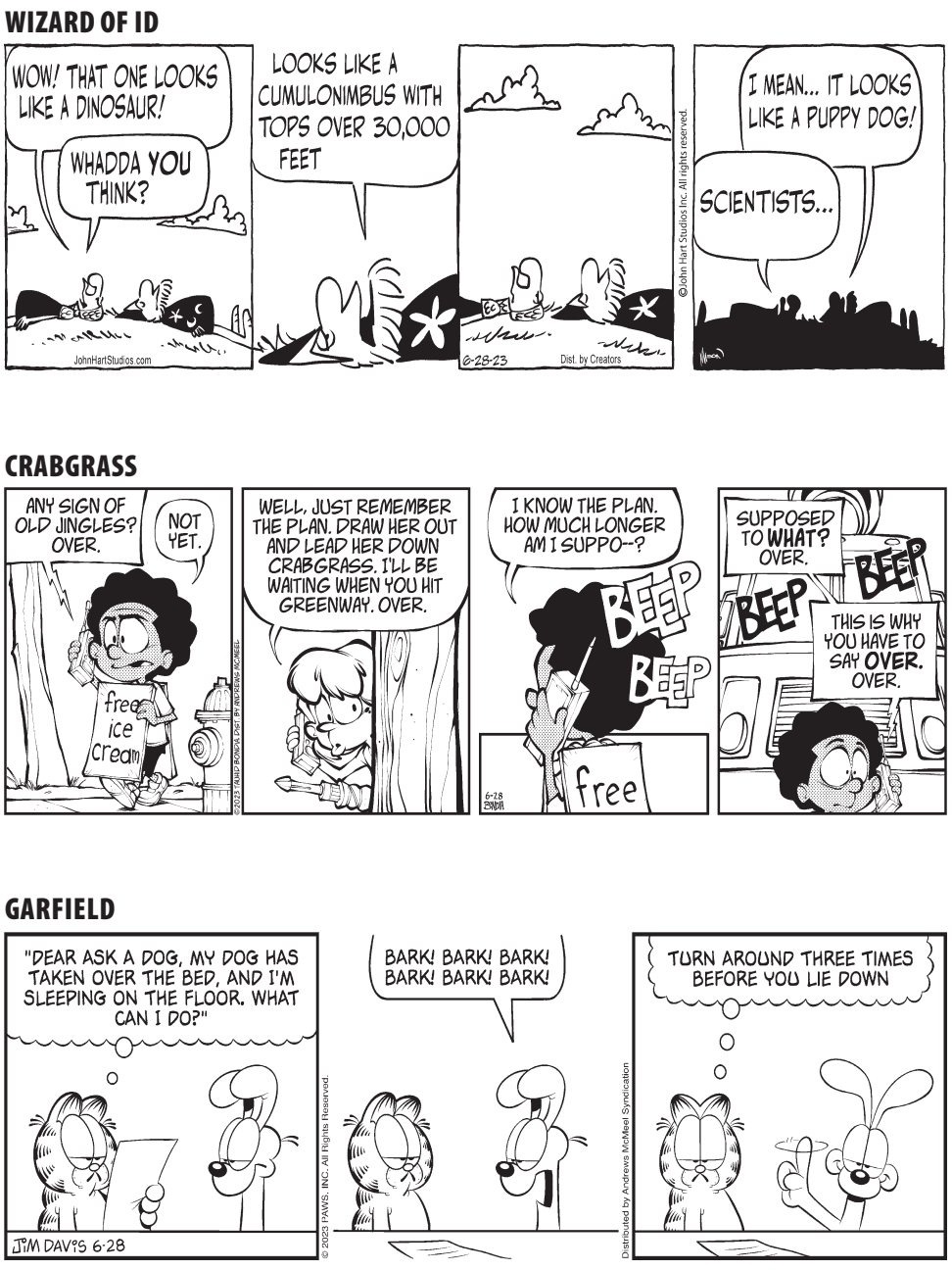
WOW! THAT ONE LOOKS LIKE A DINOSAUR!
WHADDA YOU THINK?
LOOKS LIKE A CUMULONIMBUS WITH TOPS OVER 30,000 FEET
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I MEAN... IT LOOKS LIKE A PUPPY DOG!
SCIENTISTS...

CRABGRASS

ANY SIGN OF OLD JINGLES? OVER.
NOT YET.
free ice cream
WELL, JUST REMEMBER THE PLAN. DRAW HER OUT AND LEAD HER DOWN CRABGRASS. I'LL BE WAITING WHEN YOU HIT GREENWAY. OVER.
I KNOW THE PLAN. HOW MUCH LONGER AM I SUPPO--?
BEEP BEEP
free
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SUPPOSED TO WHAT? OVER.
BEEP
BEEP
THIS IS WHY YOU HAVE TO SAY OVER. OVER.

GARFIELD

"DEAR ASK A DOG, MY DOG HAS TAKEN OVER THE BED, AND I'M SLEEPING ON THE FLOOR. WHAT CAN I DO?"
JIM DAVIS 6-28
BARK! BARK! BARK! BARK! BARK! BARK!
TURN AROUND THREE TIMES BEFORE YOU LIE DOWN
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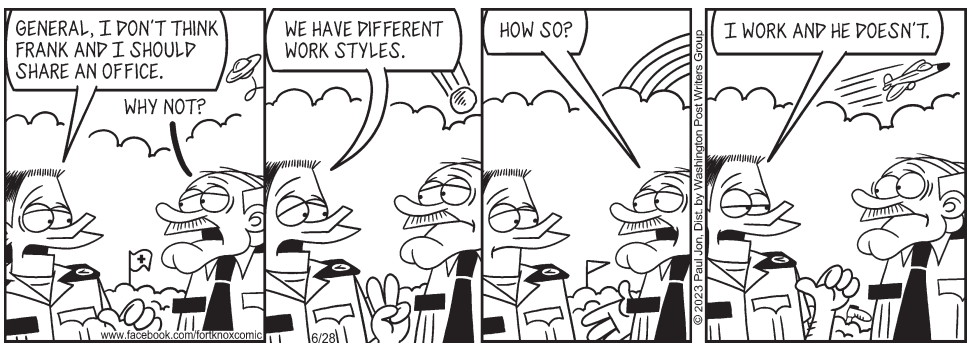
FORT KNOX


GENERAL, I DON'T THINK FRANK AND I SHOULD SHARE AN OFFICE.
WHY NOT?
WE HAVE DIFFERENT WORK STYLES.
HOW SO?
I WORK AND HE DOESN'T.
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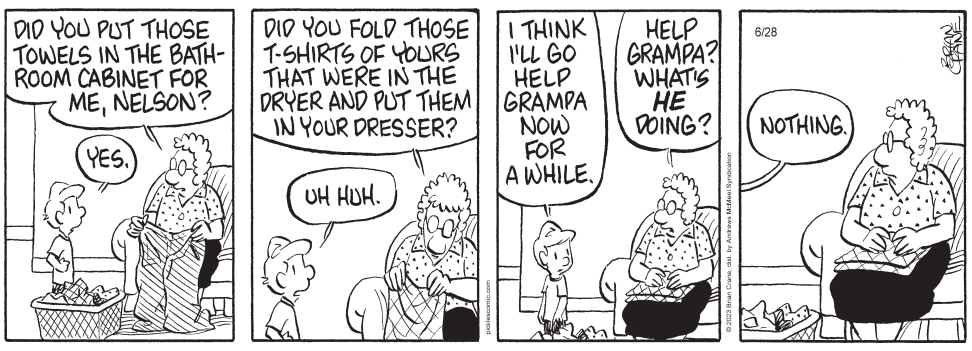
DID YOU PUT THOSE TOWELS IN THE BATHROOM CABINET FOR ME, NELSON?
YES.
DID YOU FOLD THOSE T-SHIRTS OF YOURS THAT WERE IN THE DRYER AND PUT THEM IN YOUR DRESSER?
UH HUH.
I THINK I'LL GO HELP GRAMPA NOW FOR A WHILE.
HELP GRAMPA? WHAT'S HE DOING?
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NOTHING.
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FAMILY CIRCUS

"Why do they call this purple color 'VIOLENT'?"

DENNIS THE MENACE

"WE STARTED OUR MARRIAGE ON A SHOESTRING...NOW I'M MARRIED TO A LOAFER."

BABY BLUES

HAMMIE, YOU STRUCK OUT THREE TIMES TODAY.
I'M AWARE.
I THINK YOU NEED TO WIDEN YOUR STANCE. LET ME SHOW YOU.
KEEP GOING!
I'M GOING TO CHECK WITH COACH ABOUT THIS.
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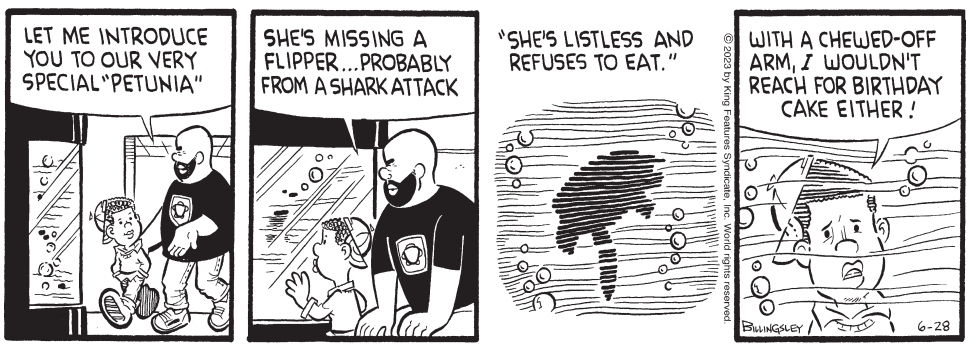
LET ME INTRODUCE YOU TO OUR VERY SPECIAL "PETUNIA"
SHE'S MISSING A FLIPPER...PROBABLY FROM A SHARK ATTACK
"SHE'S LISTLESS AND REFUSES TO EAT."
WITH A CHEWED-OFF ARM, I WOULDN'T REACH FOR BIRTHDAY CAKE EITHER!
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BILLINGSLEY
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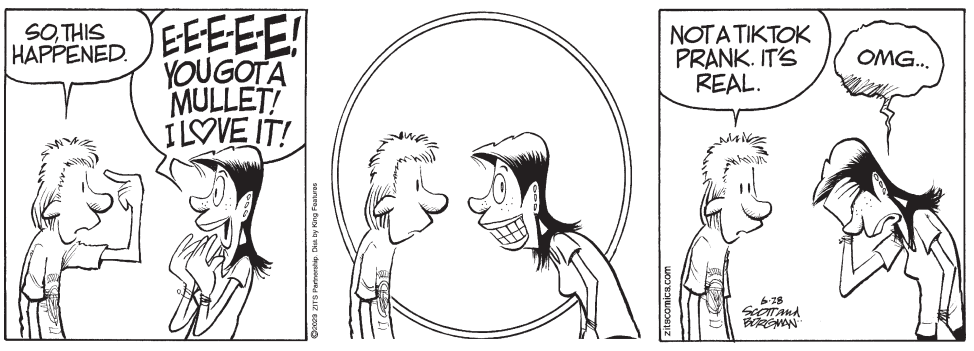
SO, THIS HAPPENED.
E-E-E-E-E! YOU GOT A MULLET! I ♡ VE IT!
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NOT A TIKTOK PRANK. IT'S REAL.
OMG...
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SCOTT & BRAN GARDNER

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today's Highlights in History:

On June 28, 1919, the Treaty of Versailles was signed in France, ending the First World War.

On this date:

In 1838, Britain's Queen Victoria was crowned in Westminster Abbey.

In 1863, during the Civil War, President Abraham Lincoln appointed Maj. Gen. George G. Meade the new commander of the Army of the Potomac, following the resignation of Maj. Gen. Joseph Hooker.

In 1914, Archduke Franz Ferdinand of Austria and his wife, Sophie, were shot to death in Sarajevo by Serb nationalist Gavrilo Princip an act that sparked World War I.

In 1939, Pan American Airways began regular trans-Atlantic air service with a flight that departed New York for Marseilles, France.

In 1940, President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed the Alien Registration Act, also known as the Smith Act, which required adult foreigners residing in the U.S. to be registered and fingerprinted.

In 1950, North Korean forces captured Seoul, the capital of South Korea.

In 1978, the Supreme Court ordered the University of California-Davis Medical School to admit Allan Bakke, a white man who argued he'd been a victim of reverse racial discrimination.

In 1994, President Bill Clinton became the first chief executive in U.S. history to set up a personal legal defense fund and ask Americans to contribute to it.

In 2000, seven months after he was cast adrift in the Florida Straits, Elian Gonzalez was returned to his native Cuba.

In 2010, the Supreme Court ruled, 5-4, that Americans had the right to own a gun for self-defense anywhere they lived.

In 2019, avowed white supremacist James Alex Fields, who deliberately drove his car into a crowd of counterprotesters in Charlottesville, Virginia, killing a young woman and injuring dozens, apologized to his victims before being sentenced to life in prison on federal hate crime charges.

Ten years ago: Tens of thousands of supporters and opponents of President Mohammed Morsi rallied in Cairo, and both sides fought each other in Egypt's second-largest city of Alexandria, where two people - including an American - were killed and scores injured. The four plaintiffs in the U.S. Supreme Court case that overturned California's same-sex marriage ban tied the knot, just hours after a federal appeals court freed gay couples to obtain marriage licenses in the state for the first time in 4 1/2 years.

Five years ago: A man armed with a shotgun attacked a newspaper in Annapolis, Md., killing four journalists and a staffer before police stormed the building and arrested him; authorities said Jarrod Ramos had a long-running grudge against the newspaper for its reporting of a harassment case against him. Ramos was convicted and was given more than five life terms without the possibility of parole. President Donald Trump and Russian President Vladimir Putin firmed up plans to meet in Helsinki on July 16th.

One year ago: A key former White House aide told investigators that former President Donald Trump fought security officials for control of the presidential SUV as he struggled to get to the Capitol during the Jan. 6, 2021, insurrection, even after he had been told that some of his supporters were armed. Ghislaine Maxwell was sentenced to 20 years in prison for helping the wealthy financier Jeffrey Epstein sexually abuse teenage girls. The sentencing was the culmination of a prosecution that detailed how Epstein and Maxwell flaunted their riches and associations with prominent people to groom vulnerable girls and then exploit them. Serena Williams lost her first singles match in nearly a year, getting beat by 115th-ranked Harmony Tan of France in three sets to get knocked out of Wimbledon.

Today's Birthdays: Comedian-movie director Mel Brooks is 97. Comedian-impressionist John Byner is 86. Former Defense Secretary Leon Panetta is 85. Rock musician Dave Knights (Procul Harum) is 78. Actor Bruce Davison is 77. Actor Kathy Bates is 75. Actor Alice Krige is 69. College and Pro Football Hall of Famer John Elway is 63. Jazz singer Tierney Sutton is 60. Actor Jessica Hecht is 58. Rock musician Saul Davies (James) is 58. Actor Mary Stuart Masterson is 57. Actor John Cusack is 57. Actor Gil Bellows is 56. Actor-singer Danielle Brisebois is 54. Actor Tichina Arnold is 54. Actor Steve Burton is 53. Entrepreneur Elon Musk is 52. Actor Alessandro Nivola is 51. Actor Camille Guaty is 47. Rock musician Tim Nordwind (OK Go) is 47. Rock musician Mark Stoermer (The Killers) is 46. Country singer Big Vinny Hickerson (Trailer Choir) is 40. Country singer Kellie Pickler is 37. Jamaican Olympic track star Elaine Thompson-Herah is 31.

Regatta past presidents

Mark Campbell

Madison is closing in on the 2023 Madison Regatta & Roostertail Music Festival — Regatta activities are already underway and the race and music festivals are set for next weekend — so 13 of the organization's former presidents gathered for a group photo, some fellowship and a toast last Thursday at the Historic Eagle Cotton Mill Fairfield Inn & Suites by Marriott hotel along the Ohio River. Those at the gathering include (from left): Sitting — Mark Fisher, Tony Steinhardt, John Knoble and Dave Taylor; standing — Mike Adams, Jeff Chandler, Mike Bipes, Dan Cole, Denny Jackson, Kim Washer, Tim Torrance, Joe Hertz and Nate Davis.

Battery plants for Ford electric vehicles on track for loan

BY JONATHAN MATTISE
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Massive battery plants planned in Tennessee and Kentucky for Ford's electric vehicles are on track to receive up to a $9.2 billion federal loan in what would be the biggest award under the U.S. Department of Energy's loan program since President Joe Biden took office.

The money for construction would secure a sizable chunk of funding for Ford's big electric vehicle swing in the two states.

Ford's plans include two battery plants in Kentucky and one in Tennessee, each through a joint venture with battery partner SK On, of South Korea. Additionally, there will be a Ford assembly plant in Tennessee able to build up to 500,000 electric pickup trucks a year. The companies are planning an $11.4 billion investment in the projects.

The three battery plants combined are expected to create 5,000 construction jobs, as well as 7,500 operations jobs once the plants are up and running, the Energy Department said in its announcement Wednesday.

The loan would come through the Advanced Technology Vehicles Manufacturing Loan Program. The company — named BlueOval SK under the joint venture — must meet milestones before the deal is finalized.

"We're thrilled the Department of Energy joins BlueOval SK in our vision to electrify the future of mobility," Robert Rhee, BlueOval SK's CEO, said in a statement to media outlets. "BlueOval SK will use this loan to its fullest as we create 7,500 good American jobs, strengthen critical domestic supply chains, and produce high-quality batteries for future Ford and Lincoln electric vehicles here in Tennessee and Kentucky."

However, the announcement drew sharp criticism from the United Auto Workers union, which called it "a massive $9.2 billion giveaway loan to Ford Motor Co. through the Department of Energy to create 7,500 low-road jobs with no consideration for wages, working conditions, union rights or retirement security."

The department's loan office said it "works with all borrowers to create good-paying jobs with strong labor standards during construction, operations, and throughout the life of the loan and to adhere to a strong Community Benefits Plan."

Ford has said its assembly plant and the battery plant in rural Stanton, Tennessee, will employ about 6,000 people with an investment of roughly $5.6 billion. Ford plans to start production by 2025.

Before landing the Ford project, Tennessee had invested more than $174 million in the unused megasite outside of Memphis where the plants are being built. Tennessee lawmakers have committed to spending nearly $900 million on state incentives, infrastructure upgrades and more as part of a sweeping plan with Ford. The agreement included $500 million in capital grant funds.

Production is also scheduled to start in 2025 at the two battery manufacturing plants being built in Glendale, Kentucky. The venture will employ 5,000 people to produce batteries for future Ford and Lincoln electric vehicles. Ford and its battery partner have invested $5.8 billion in the Kentucky project.

Kentucky's state incentives package for the project includes a $250 million loan.

The Department of Energy said the federal loan helps support several of Biden's clean energy goals, including priorities for domestic clean energy and transportation technology manufacturing and a push for electric vehicles to make up at least half of all new cars bought in the U.S. by 2030.

The news of the loan comes about three weeks before the UAW is scheduled to open contract talks with Ford, Stellantis and General Motors.

Newly elected UAW President Shawn Fain has criticized the companies, saying they make billions without fairly compensating workers. Many in the industry expect strikes against one or more of the companies as the union tries to get general and cost-of-living pay raises and eliminate tiers of workers who are paid different wages, sometimes for doing the same work.

Photos by Bob Demaree

Kim Nyberg, executive director of Madison Area Arts Alliance, tells the story about how the Mulberry Street Mural Plaza became a reality during Friday's dedication ceremony. Nyberg said, it happened "because people got together in the name of the creative community, in the name of place making, and tonight we celebrate the completion of this beautiful place."

Kim Nyberg, executive director of Madison Area Arts Alliance, greets Kevin Kellems, Jefferson County's representative on the Our Southern Indiana Regional Development Authority, with a button celebrating the dedication of the Mulberry Street Mural Plaza.

PLAZA

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at River Roots a few years ago of a painting by Jane Vonderheide of a big heart. "That painting was the inspiration behind the whole thing," said Nyberg, noting she had a vision of that heart going somewhere, and it ended up being the centerpiece of the Kindness Mural that Vonderheide, Stevie Bickis and Kevin Carlson collaborated to paint on portion of the mural.

Nyberg said the Mulberry Street Mural Plaza become a reality "because people got together in the name of the creative community, in the name of place making, and tonight we celebrate the completion of this beautiful place."

While it was funded by READI dollars from the Indiana Economic Development Corporation, it was an allocation from Our Southern Indiana Regional Development Authority that provided the funds for that project along with enhancements to the gateway coming into the city and a new parking lot behind the Main Street Comfort Station.

Tony Steinhardt III, the city's economic development director, called the Mulberry Street Mural Plaza "a model community development project that was led and leveraged by non-profit involvement and ultimately government involvement at the end. We should be proud as a community. I think it's an award-winning project, not just in the country but throughout the state."

Madison Mayor Bob Courtney said Mulberry Street Mural Plaza is part of the work that's happening to invest in Madison. "When we invest in the community, that attracts others, and they know this is a place to invest," he said, adding that there has been a focus towards making Madison a destination where people want to live and visit. "All the work through the collaboration with everybody through the last few years, I think proves the point that Madison has been a diamond in the rough for a long time, and just needed a little more investment and a little more inspiration."

Two of the board members of Our Southern Indiana Regional Development Authority were in attendance at the event — Kevin Kellems, who represents Jefferson County, and Steve Meyer, who represents Scott County.

"We stand on the shoulders of many great people who have come before us, men and women, Madisonians, and those who have tried to help here as well over the years," said Kellems, noting that early efforts to preserve Madison "formed the foundation from which we can really emphasize destination, and in this case, bring about an arts and cultural district."

He said the Mulberry Street block has "an amazing history and potential going forward in terms of how it can be converted into a destination that attracts people. The regional development authority is looking with state and federal money to bring more people to this area, and make an opportunity here for future generations. This is a great example of how people working together can do that," Kellems said.

Prior to being a parking lot, the space had been home to Volz Chevrolet, a car dealership operated by Horace Volz. In 1969, Volz decided to move the dealership to the hilltop. With a need for more downtown parking, a deal was struck with City Council and downtown merchants in December of 1969 to purchase the property and raze the dealership building after it moved to the hilltop. That move didn't occur until one year later in December of 1970, and by that time it had become Hearl Brogan Chevrolet after Brogan, of Middletown, Ohio, had bought the business from Volz in July of 1970.

During the program, Steinhardt pointed out other improvements that have recently been made in the alley that connects the parking lot to Main Street. The development of that alley happened several years ago but further improvements have been made in the last few months that included making the alley approach ADA accessible, applying a fresh paint color and general cleaning of the space

Season opener doesn't go as planned for Miss Madison

BY DAVID CAMPBELL

GUNTERSVILLE, Ala. — Andrew Tate and Dylan Runne got to make their debuts as the 24th and 25th drivers for Miss Madison Racing, but neither left Lake Guntersville, Alabama, happy with their performance.

Runne, making his first-ever start at the Unlimited level, was forced to start back of and outside the field for the first two heats, then was assessed a penalty in the final heat essentially ending his chances at victory in his debut driving the U-1 Miss HomeStreet.

The veteran Tate ended up much worse in his U-91 Goodman Real Estate — floating upside down in Lake Guntersville — and then waiting nearly two hours after the race was over to see his boat recovered due to heavy storms that rocked the northeast Alabama area.

While both drivers found positives in the weekend, both also acknowledged that it could have gone better.

"I think it was a big learning weekend. First of all, just getting qualified, then being five seconds back in the first two heats has its own challenges," said Runne, who replaced the retired Jimmy Shane at the wheel of the defending National High Point Champion this year. "I was happy to get to go fight in the final and we made some mistakes there with some penalties. I think that's some rookie mistakes there that I will take away from it. I'll go back as a team and see where we kind of went wrong and where the challenges were, but we're ready to go next week."

As a rookie, Runne knew that the rules would be stacked against him in his first race. H1 rules stipulate that new drivers start their first two heats on the outside of the course and five seconds behind the field. As a result, he took third places in both heats.

But even when he had a chance to race equally, Runne was unable to get into a position that he liked. In Heat 3A, he got off to a bad start and never challenged Tate or J. Michael Kelly. Then before the final, he was assessed a one-lap penalty for missing a buoy while crossing into the course.

With a one-lap penalty prior to the start, Runne had little chance to claim the win but with crew chief Mike Hanson urging him to continue racing, he secured lane four in the final only to see the heat end early with the accident involving his teammate Tate.

"I picked up on the wrong buoy going across the course. With some water on the windshield I couldn't see, and again, it is a rookie learning there" Runne said. "We got the orders to go race and get some good boat time and put ourselves in the mix there. And I'm happy we did it. You need to go learn how to race boats with other boats out there and that's what we did and I don't think there were any issues with us being in the mix there at the end."

While Runne was kicking himself for the penalty, Tate was just wondering if his boat would be in race shape after the damage sustained in the accident.

Tate didn't qualify the Goodman Real Estate where he wanted — he was third on the ladder at 167.078 mph — and he was beaten by Corey Peabody and the U-9 Beacon Plumbing in each of the first two preliminary heats, despite holding the inside lane.

But Tate claimed a victory in Heat 3A and felt like he was poised for big things in the final. Positioned between J. Michael Kelly and Peabody in lane two, Tate got a boost when Kelly jumped the starting gun from lane one.

But Tate never got a chance to play the heat out. He drove into a roostertail just as the boats entered the first turn right after the start and ended upside down. To make matters worse, Dustin Echols drove over the Goodman boat in his U-40 Bucket List Racing right after the accident when Echols was unable to miss getting caught up in the wreck.

Tate was OK — "I'm physically fine. It hurts my pride a little." — but his boat suffered serious damage in the aft after the collision with the Bucket List.

"I thought we had a good shot (in the final). Unfortunately, we didn't get to the end of the five laps to find out where we ended up," Tate said. "We thought we were in a good spot. I was a little bit back at the start unfortunately, but close enough to be going into the first turn and get blown over by rooster tail."

Rescue crews secured Tate but had to leave the Goodman

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Miss Madison drivers Andrew Tate (left) and Dylan Runne (middle) sign autographs during the Southern Cup in Guntersville, Alabama, on Saturday. The two drivers were making their debuts with Miss Madison Racing.

David Campbell

Dylan Runne (left) in the U-1 Miss HomeStreet/Miss Madison, Corey Peabody (middle) in the U-9 Beacon Plumbing, and Andrew Tate (right) in the U-91 Goodman Real Estate/Miss Madison charge toward the start of the Final Heat in the Southern Cup in Guntersville, Alabama on Sunday. Tate flipped a few seconds later, ending the race with Peabody awarded the win on points.

Tate's wreck, storms end Southern Cup early with Peabody awarded win

BY DAVID CAMPBELL

GUNTERSVILLE, Ala. — A figurative black cloud hung over the Lake Guntersville Hydrofest Sunday and it was a literal black flag that ended it.

A wreck by Andrew Tate and the U-91 Miss Goodman Real Estate/Miss Madison in the Final Heat, coupled with impending storms, forced officials to end the Southern Cup early with Corey Peabody and the U-9 Beacon Plumbing awarded the win on points accumulated, Sunday in Guntersville, Alabama.

Peabody, who was the second-fastest qualifier, won all three of his preliminary heats and was the favorite in the winner-take-all Final Heat, but he never had a chance to show it on the water.

As the boats entered the first turn just after the start, Tate saw his racing lane disappear into a wall of water and his boat ended up flipping upside-down. Shortly after, Tate's boat was run over by Dustin Echols and the U-40 Bucket List Racing, which was unable to avoid the wreckage.

Tate emerged from the escape hatch on the bottom of the boat uninjured and left under his own power, but with severe storms closing in on the area, Lake Guntersville Hydrofest and H1 Unlimited officials opted to call the race early, giving Peabody his second-straight win at Guntersville and the third of his career.

"It's definitely not the way you

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SOUTHERN CUP

Lake Guntersville
Guntersville, Ala.

RESULTS
(Race decided on points)
Length: 2.5 miles
Saturday, June 24

HEAT 1A

1. J. Michael Kelly, U-8 Beacon Electric, 152.651 mph; 2. Jimmy King, U-3 Miss Ace Hardware, 150.763; 3. Dylan Runne, U-1 Miss HomeStreet/ Miss Madison, 143.714; 4. Dustin Echols, U-40 Bucket List Racing, 112.474.

-penalized one lap for jumping the gun.

HEAT 1B

1. Corey Peabody, U-9 Beacon Plumbing, 162.910; 2. Andrew Tate, U-91 Miss Goodman Real Estate/ Miss Madison, 160.956; 3, Jamie Nilsen, U-11 Legend Yacht Transport, 151.781.

Sunday, June 25

HEAT 2A

1. Corey Peabody, U-9 Beacon Plumbing, 160.880; 2. Andrew Tate, U-91 Miss Goodman Real Estate, 160.181; 3. Dustin Echols, U-40 Bucket List Racing, 155.868; 4, J. Michael Kelly, U-8 Beacon Electric, 148.741.

HEAT 2B

1. Jamie Nilsen, U-11 Legend Yacht Transport, 150.63; 2. Dylan Runne, U-1 Miss HomeStreet, 144.966; Jimmy King, U-3 Miss Ace Hardware, DSQ

-disqualified for violating the 80 mph rule.

HEAT 3A

1. Andrew Tate, U-91 Miss Goodman Real Estate, 154.071; 2. J. Michael Kelly, U-8 Beacon Electric, 152.513; 3. Dylan Runne, U-1 Miss HomeStreet, 147.710; Jimmy King, U-3 Miss Ace Hardware, WD.

HEAT 3B

1. Corey Peabody, U-9 Beacon Plumbing, 158.132; 2. Jamie Nilsen, U-11 Legend Yacht Transport, 155.419; 3. Dustin Echols, U-40 Bucket List Racing, 152.866.

FINAL HEAT

Stopped due to accident. Race decided on points.

QUALIFYING RESULTS

1. Dustin Echols, U-40 Bucket List Racing, 171.294 mph; 2. Corey Peabody, U-9 Beacon Plumbing, 167.320, 80; 3. Andrew Tate, U-91 Miss Goodman Real Estate, 167.078; 4. Dylan Runne, U-1 Miss HomeStreet, 166.740; 5. J. Michael Kelly, U-8 Beacon Electric, 165.639; 6. Jamie Nilsen, U-11 Legend Yacht Transport, 164.977; 7. Jimmy King, U-3 Miss Ace Hardware, 159.945; 8. Brent Hall, U-440 Boitano Homes, 148.536.

CURRENT HIGH POINTS

1. Corey Peabody, U-9 Beacon Plumbing, 1280 points; 2. Andrew Tate, U-91 Miss Goodman Real Estate, 1070; 3. Jamie Nilsen, U-11 Legend Yacht Transport, 965; 4. J. Michael Kelly, U-8 Beacon Electric, 919; 5. Dylan Runne, U-1 Miss HomeStreet, 810; 6. Dustin Echols, U-40 Bucket List Racing, 719; 7. Jimmy King, U-3 Miss Ace Hardware, 330.

Olson's go-ahead homer helps Braves earn 7-6 win over the Reds

CINCINNATI — Matt Olson hit a go-ahead three-run homer in the sixth inning and the Atlanta Braves held on for another wild 7-6 victory over the Cincinnati Reds on Sunday.

The Braves, who snapped the Reds' longest winning streak in 66 years at 12 games with a 7-6 win on Saturday, have won 17 of their last 20.

"That was a good series, against a really good ballclub, in my opinion," Braves third baseman Austin Riley said. "I felt like I played three football games, three longer games. To come out with two (wins) in those is nice."

The Reds had runners on first and third in the ninth when Raisel Iglesias got Kevin Newman to roll into a game-ending double play. It was Iglesias' 11th save.

The game was played before another sell-out crowd of 40,140. A combined 126,724 fans attended the weekend series between first-place teams.

There were 19 home runs hit in the series.

"Games like that, when you lose them are, it's hard to swallow," Reds manager David Bell said. "Because you fight back so hard. Honestly this team does it more than any team I've ever been around."

The Reds lost despite a big day from Matt McLain, who went 4 for 5 with three doubles, a homer and five RBIs. McLain is the first Reds rookie to have four extra-base hits in a game since Chris Sabo in 1988.

Reds rookie Levi Stoudt was recalled from Triple-A to start Sunday's game when scheduled starter Ben Lively was placed on the injured list with a pectoral muscle strain.

Stoudt held the Braves at bay until the third.

Michael Harris II tripled and scored the Braves' first run on Ozzie Albies' sacrifice fly. RBI singles by Sean Murphy and Marcell Ozuna made it 3-0.

McLain doubled and scored the Reds' first run. He doubled in two more runs in the fourth to tie it at 3.

Charlie Morton (7-6) needed 103 pitches to get through five but left with the score tied. Morton was making his 21st career start against the Reds.

REDS 11, BRAVES 10

Dazzling rookie Elly De La Cruz hit for the cycle, Joey Votto launched tying and go-ahead homers and the Cincinnati Reds extended their winning streak to 12 games Friday night with an 11-10 victory over the Atlanta Braves.

In a wild matchup of National League division leaders, Cincinnati erased an early 5-0 deficit and halted Atlanta's eight-game winning streak.

The Reds' winning streak is tied for the second-best in franchise history, matching the 1939 and 1957 teams for the club's longest since 1900.

De La Cruz became the first Cincinnati player in 34 years to hit for the cycle. He completed it by the sixth inning with a triple that gave him four RBIs.

The cycle was the seventh in team history, fifth since 1900 and first since Eric Davis accomplished the feat against

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Pistons, Pacers banking on lottery selections

BY STEVE MEGARGEE
ASSOCIATED PRESS

The Detroit Pistons and Indiana Pacers used lottery picks on players who should make their biggest early impact on defense while the rest of the Central Division teams sat out the first round of the NBA draft Thursday night.

Detroit selected wing Ausar Thompson of the Overtime Elite developmental program with the fifth overall selection. Indiana took Houston forward Jarace Walker eighth.

"With my size and my quickness, defense has always been a part of me," Thompson said. "Teams that win championships play defense."

Later in the first round, the Pistons traded up to select Houston guard Marcus Sasser with the 25th overall pick and the Pacers selected Belmont forward Ben Sheppard at No. 26.

Detroit and Indiana were the only Central Division teams with first-round picks.

The Pistons received some tough luck in the lottery when they got stuck with the fifth pick despite having the NBA's worst record at 17-65. But they believe they found a keeper in Thompson.

"We think he has a chance to be an elite defender on the perimeter," Pistons general manager Troy Weaver said.

Detroit selected Thompson one pick after the Houston Rockets used the No. 4 selection on his twin brother, Amen Thompson. They're the first set of twins to be selected in the top-10 picks in the same draft.

Thompson, 20, showcased his all-around game by averaging 16.3 points, 7.1 rebounds, 6.1 assists, 2.4 steals and 1.1 blocks while teaming up with Overtime Elite.

The Pacers began the night with the seventh pick but moved down one spot in a trade with the Washington Wizards. Walker, who is 6-foot-8, was the American Athletic Conference's freshman of the year last season and averaged 11.2 points and 6.8 rebounds.

"His defense is very good," Pacers coach Rick Carlisle said. "His rebounding is very good. Those are areas we want to improve.

Indiana allowed 119.5 points per game last season to rank 29th in the league in scoring defense. Detroit's defense also has been in decline in recent years, causing the Pistons to go seven straight seasons without a winning record.

The Pistons and Pacers added shooting later.

Sasser scored 16.8 points per game, shot 38.4% (96 of 250) from 3-point range and also played strong defense last season as an Associated Press All-America first-team selection. Sheppard scored 18.8 points per game and made 41.5% of his 3-point attempts (80 of 193) for Belmont.

Here's a roundup of how each Central Division team fared in the draft.

MILWAUKEE BUCKS

• Team needs: The Bucks need to add some reinforcements to their bench to build depth with much of their roster entering free agency.

• Draft picks: UConn guard Andre Jackson Jr. at No. 36 as part of a trade with Orlando. Kentucky forward Chris Livingston at No. 58.

• Whose game does Jackson's most compare to: Jackson's reputation as a strong defender and suspect shooter is reminiscent of the label Gary Payton II had when he entered the NBA, though Jackson's a few inches taller.

CLEVELAND CAVALIERS

• Team needs: Wing, shooter, bench depth. After an illuminating exit in the first round of the NBA playoffs, the Cavs also must get tougher after being bullied by the New York Knicks.

• Draft pick: Eastern Michigan forward Emoni Bates at No. 49.

• Whose game does Bates' most compare to: Patrick Baldwin Jr. Once rated as the top prep player in the country, Bates is a prolific scorer. The slender 6-foot-10 Bates is a bit of a project, but the Cavs see his upside.

CHICAGO BULLS

• Team needs? There's been some trade chatter involving stars Zach LaVine and DeMar DeRozan. Center Nikola Vucevic is set to become an unrestricted free agent, and guards Coby White and Ayo Dosunmu are due to become restricted free agents.

• Draft pick: The Bulls traded into the second round with Washington to acquire Tennessee forward Julian Phillips at No. 35.

• Whose game does the draft pick most compare to? At 6-foot-7 and with a 6-11 1/2 wingspan, Phillips has drawn comparisons to the Minnesota Timberwolves' Jaden McDaniels.

INDIANA PACERS

• Team needs? Improving defensively, finding a consistent power forward, adding depth on the wing

• Draft pick: Walker at No. 8, Sheppard at No. 26.

• Whose game does Walker's most compare to? Aaron Gordon. Both played one season of college basketball. Walker, like Gordon, was a stronger rebounder than scorer coming out of college. Gordon became a better offensive player in time. The Pacers believe Walker can do the same.

DETROIT PISTONS

• Team needs: Two-way wing and 3-point shooter.

• Draft needs: Ausar Thompson at No. 5, Sasser at No. 25.

• Whose game does Thompson's most compare to? Andre Iguodala. The 6-foot-6, 218-pound Thompson excels on defense and is a capable scorer much like the 39-year-old Iguodala was for much of his career.

LOCAL LEAGUES

HANOVER PARKS DEPARTMENT

THURSDAY, JUNE 22

Boys Machine Pitch Tournament

Mick's Garage Marlins 12, Pennilane Properties Cardinals 1 — Ezra Smith, Walker Alderman and William Statzer all scored 2 runs fpr the Marlins.

Madison Dental Health Partners Giants 20, German American Bank Red Sox 18 — Michael Kietzman scored 3 runs for the Giants. Jacob Gibson, Liam Luckett, Bryson Becker, Tyler Yarling, Jude Turner, Liam Taylor, Cecil Tyree and Bentlee Miller all scored 2 runs for the Red Sox,

Girls Coach Pitch

Can Do Maintenance Cardinals 9, Coldwell Banker Harrell and Associates Lady Leopards 8 — Bella Estes scored 3 runs for the Cardinals (6-2). Hayden Curry scored 4 runs for the Lady Leopards (2-6).

Madison Lions Club Cowgirls 14, Ray Brawner Indiana Farm Bureau Insurance Baby Blue Angels 4 — Kinlee Shousescored 3 runs for the Cowgirls (6-1-1).

Boys Kid Pitch

Sedam Contracting Astros 17, Bear Forestry Braves 5 — Landon Nichols, Daniel Cloud, Josh Jines, Traejen Asher, Levi Franklin, Bryson Lettieri and Wyatt Sands all scored 2 runs for the Astros (3-4-1).

First Financial Bank Giants 3, The Toppers 3 — Christian Wheeler scored 2 runs, including a home run for the Giants. (4-2-2)

FRIDAY, JUNE 23

Girls Instructional

Mike's Auto Sales And Service Rainbow Warriors 22, Eye Care Group Unicorn Princesses 12 — The Rainbow Warriors recorded 12 outs.

Premier Lawns Little Butterflies 21, Nutrien Ag Solutions Rainbow Mermaids 20 — both teams recorded 7 outs.

Boys Instructional

Any Sport Training Reds 23, Morgan And Nay Funeral Centre Cardinals 17 — The Reds recorded 13 outs.

Boys Coach Pitch

Chandler Chevrolet Rangers 13, Napier Trucking Blue Jays 1 — Reed Adams and Kane Dean both scored 3 runs for the Rangers (7-1).

Hilex Poly Braves 15, SRM Concrete Yankees 8 — Anthony Boyer, Dawson Smith and David Lipperd all scored 3 runs for the Braves (5-2). Quentin Stotts and Mickie Mingione both scored 2 runs for the Yankees (3-5).

Girls Machine Pitch

Layman Hummel Insurance Dingers 19, Arvin Sango Inc. Cubs 13 — Rilyn Kirkland, Bre Harden and Braylinn Curry all scored 4 runs for the Dingers (2-6). Ryley Carinel had 4 runs for the Cubs (1-7).

Midwest Tube Mills Purple Pickles 14, Bickers Flooring Hurricanes 10 — Brooke Kramer and Addisyn Liter both scored 3 runs for the Purple Pickles (7-1). Sophia Cutshall scored 3 runs for the Hurricanes (6-2).

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PARMT	35	41	TwoM..	TwoM..	TwoM..	TwoM..	White House Down ('13) Channing Tatum.						Movie
SHOW	221	16	(:20) The Forger ('14)				The General's Daughter				Face/Off ('97)		
TMC	233	74	(:15) The Death of Dick Long				Seabiscuit ('03) Tobey Maguire.					Guilt Trip	
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ESPN	32	44	SportCtr (N)		2023 NHL Draft Round 1 (N) (Live)						SportsC. (N)		Sports..
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FX	40	28	(5:00) Captain America:...		Captain Marvel ('19) Brie Larson.						Mayans M.C. (N)		
HBO	201	17	(5:10) Luce		I, Tonya ('17)				Rock Hudson: All Tha...		(:45) The Idol		
MAX	270	73	(:20) Wolf ('21)				The Saint ('97) Val Kilmer.				(:55) Tammy ('14)		
NEWSNTN	20	20	Elizabeth (N)		On Balance (N)		Cuomo (N)		Dan Abrams		Banfield (N)		Cuomo
PARMT	35	41	TwoM..	TwoM..	TwoM..	TwoM..	Open Range ('03) Kevin Costner, Robert Duvall.						
SHOW	221	16	(4:45) Dances With Wolves				Jason Goes to Hell: Fin...			Jason X ('02)			Movie
TMC	233	74	(:55) Hart's War ('02)				Rounders ('98) (P)				Agent Game ('22)		
TNT	27	43	Lucifer		Lucifer "Pilot"		Avengers: Age of Ultron ('15)						Movie
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4 Veggie planting time
9 Snout
13 Bug's downfall
15 No-goodnik
16 Greek letter
17 Location
18 Silent actors
19 Old emperor's title
20 Answers
22 Small casks
23 Former
24 Flock member
26 Short fast race
29 One of four on "What's My Line?"
34 Get __ out of; provoke
35 Lugged
36 Peg for Tiger
37 Rib or radius
38 __ out; exhausted
39 Give a heads-up to
40 In the __; ultimately
41 Unshackled
42 Ointment
43 Heroes
45 Croquet stick
46 Colony insect
47 Cheat; defraud
48 Messy person
51 Singer Aguilera
56 Emmy-winning TV series
57 "Time __ all wounds"
58 __ off; snoozes
60 GE appliance
61 Bird of prey
62 Long look
63 Cookware items
64 Gown
65 Use an axe

DOWN
1 Yrbk. section
2 Bazaar
3 High-flying toy
4 Just about
5 __ at; indicate
6 Bacardi beverages
7 Words of understanding
8 Diminished
9 Stamp cost in 1965
10 Trickle out
11 Male animal
12 Hearing organs
14 Loathe
21 Window piece
25 Take the plunge
26 Fencing sword
27 Lying facedown
28 Watermelon casings
29 Leo XIII & Pius X
30 Gobsmacked
31 Know-__; smarty-pants
32 Do a waiter's job
33 Dogma
35 Wedding cake level
38 Miserable
39 Low-impact exercise
41 Merriment
42 Shaker contents
44 Rooms on a cruise ship
45 Señoritas
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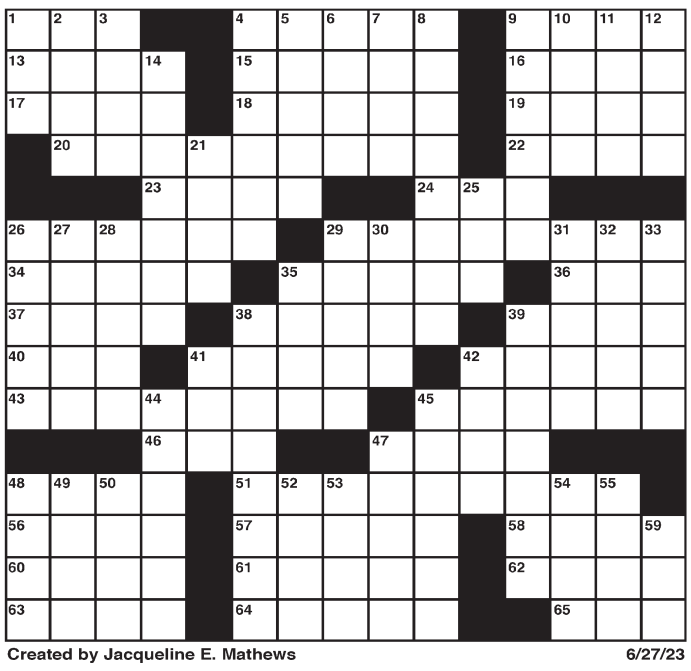

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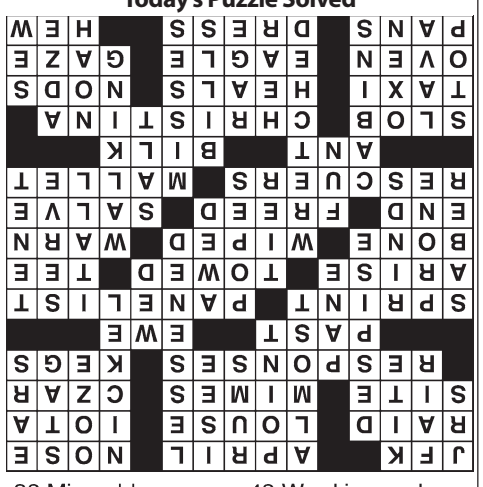

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17 Family tree member
18 Zealous; loyal
20 Mayberry resident
21 Place for an iris
23 Full of spunk
24 Not as high up
26 WWII president
27 Concert venues
29 Berates loudly & harshly
32 Husky
33 Almost transparent
35 Bone in a cage
37 Potter's material
38 Speaks unclearly
39 Lose energy
40 Title for Cagney or Lacey: abbr.
41 New Orleans athlete
42 Sweetheart
43 Insist on
45 Planting
46 Eyebrow shape
47 Exodus desert food
48 Ghost
51 Ripen
52 Cut off
55 Champs-Élysées residents
58 Big African beast
60 Read __; study about
61 __ jacket; bulletproof vest
62 Extra large & medium
63 Plato or Carvey
64 High-pitched barks
65 Pain in the neck

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1 Cudgel
2 Sharpen
3 Speed up
4 Chum
5 Toothed-leaved birch
6 Director Spike
7 __ thai; Bangkok dish
8 Cold symptom
9 Elevator alternative
10 Time-__; mild punishments
11 Guitar ridge
12 Man's nickname
14 Has __; isn't tightly restricted
19 Fragrant wood
22 TV's "Say __ to the Dress"
25 Solely
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29 Yellow Muppet
30 Make light of
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33 Went down easily
34 Attila, for one
36 Huge ice chunk
38 Make holy
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42 Company shunners
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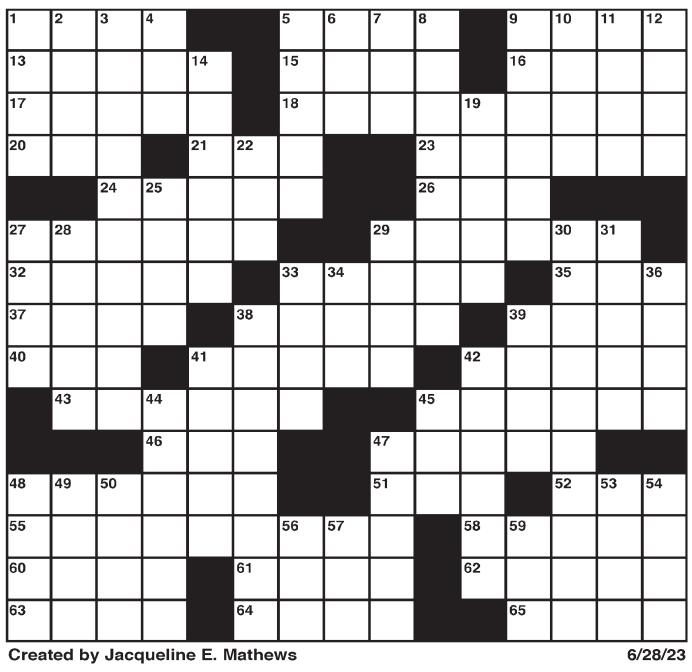

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Today's Puzzle Solved

Estranged daughter still yearns for her father

AMY **DICKINSON** ASK AMY

Dear Amy: My daughter is 36 years old.

Her father and I divorced when she was a toddler. He had all the visitation he wanted, and (reluctantly) paid child support.

When she was 16, he stopped seeing her because she got her driver's license and he said that she could drive to see him instead of him driving to see her.

He lived about 40 minutes away.

She had a job and was still in high school, so she didn't drive there.

Consequently, her father stopped calling her. She has sent him birthday and Christmas cards, which came back unopened.

She has two sons now, and pictures she sent to him came back unopened.

A few years ago, she called him to say Happy Easter and he made a few grunting noises into the phone and said that he didn't have a daughter.

Of course, she was very hurt and tearful.

She's still trying to get a positive response out of him.

I told her to forget it and to move on.

What advice do you have for her?

— Already Moved On

Dear Moved On: I think it's a heavy lift to "forget" a parent – even one who has thoroughly rejected their child.

A more helpful effort might be for your daughter to thoroughly explore and understand her own feelings and motivations. Her father successfully implanted decades of guilt when, as a teenager she declined to visit him, and he cut himself off from her and then blamed her for his own actions.

For this, he has decided to punish her for as long as it takes. What a guy. And now he doesn't even need to put any effort into his punishment, because she is doing it for him. Every time she makes an effort, she is reminded of the rejection.

Your daughter is now coping with her sadness by behaving in the way rejected children often behave – by searching, yearning, and desperately trying to fix a relationship that possibly cannot be fixed.

It would be helpful for her to understand that her father's behavior has provided a useful negative example for how lasting and painful parental rejection is. She must decide to be a constant, loving and compassionate parent to her children, and take pride in the healthy relationship and good example she sets for them.

She should continue to make occasional efforts to connect with her father, if doing so relieves the impulse and if the effort makes her feel worthy.

Adult caregiver feels burdened and burnt out

AMY **DICKINSON** ASK AMY

Dear Amy: I'm halfway through a two-week visit with my 89-year-old mom, and my stress level is through the roof.

On the one hand, I know that her life isn't easy due to numerous health issues, including memory and vision loss — plus the death of my dad just over a year ago.

On the other hand, and my siblings would all agree, she makes everything so much harder than it has to be, for herself and for everyone around her.

The criticisms, complaints, put-downs, constant demands and need to control everything makes it so hard to find the patience and compassion I should have.

It doesn't take very long when trying to do anything with her before I'm stressed out and frustrated at the way she treats me and what I'm being put through while trying to help her.

And I hate myself for it.

I can hear the whine of an unhappy child in the grumbling of the adult I'm supposed to be, and by nightfall it's not just one day's worth of issues I'm trying to let go of, but decades of conflict, misunderstandings, and bad behavior on both our parts.

She's 89. She's sick. She's alone. She's struggling to cope.

She's my mom.

Why can't I be more tolerant?

— Intolerant Caregiver

Dear Intolerant: The reason you can't be more tolerant when providing care to your mother is because providing care for an ill and challenging parent is a huge and heartbreaking experience.

This is one reason that qualified, experienced and reliable professional caregivers are worth their weight in gold.

Caregivers outside the family are not triggered by a lifetime of memories of their client.

They also go home at the end of their shift. Adult children caregivers remain emotionally engaged, even when they're not physically present.

I hope that you and your siblings can support one another through this time. Sharing, venting, and comparing notes will help you all to provide your mother with the compassionate care that she needs.

You might also benefit from reading "The Conscious Caregiver: A Mindful Approach to Caring for Your Loved One Without Losing Yourself," by Linda Abbit (2017, Adams Media).

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ASTROLOGY

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Nodding along may not be enough, instead use all your talents and skills to show someone you are irreplaceable. Boredom and complacency can hold you back so try changing things up every once in a while.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Surprise your loved ones with your previously unrevealed talents. Be dynamic and strive to make helpful changes and improve conditions within your surroundings. You can pull more than one rabbit out of your hat.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — All that glitters might not be gold, but you likely possess the knowledge to detect what can be worth your undivided attention. Spend your time with a group of compatible people who could share your idealism and ideals.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Deadlines may be looming, but if you can delegate some of your duties to others, you can take a breath and get some peace. You might not be the only one who can tackle this job so allow others to lend a helping hand.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Moving mountains might not be necessary but you are still very well equipped to move them. This could be the time to work to overcome obstacles. Get straight to the point and you could reach the peak of your goals.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Some may think that your genius is a natural gift, but behind every overnight sensation there are years of practice, dedication and pushing past rejection. Failures can be one step closer to perfection and winning.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — Be candid if you are asked to explain your motives and remain sincere about honoring your commitments. Take your cues from respected friends or a supportive partner. You may be charged to be healthy, wealthy and wise.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) — Get good at doing things the sanctioned way before trying to introduce your own spin on procedure. It can take practice to learn why something works or does not work. Steps that seem pointless might be expendable.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — Everyday millions of people are born, die or have major life events, all at once. You may be a part of many things at the same time so take in everything you can. Sometimes boredom can be a lack of paying attention.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Careful organization can be the biggest key to success. A pilot must check everything before he can take off. Put key initiatives and plans into motion if they can pass all the tests, making sure to tick all the boxes.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — Follow the examples from business or social acquaintances. People you meet today may have the ambitions to see a project through to its most profitable conclusion. Trust that loved ones could do the right thing.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) — Going into a new space without preparation can be a recipe for insecurity or even disaster. Real world examples and foundational training are helpful if things happen to go wrong, otherwise find more info online.

ASTROLOGY

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Nothing can be as important as showing up as and when you promised. You are consequential, you matter. Look for the best, prepare for the worst, but do not fear the world. Handle your business and let others handle theirs.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Circulation can help grow fresher ideas. A more active lifestyle may help your brain send and receive important signals and much needed blood. Try skipping the elevator, parking in the back or taking a longer hike.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Every one of us has done things we regret, and anyone, at any time, can take the chance to do better. You have the ability to influence the future by being cautious now. Learn and grow from your mistakes.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Advice from unexpected sources could lead to progress if you are willing to listen and see things from a different perspective. Obligations that may seem like a burden can become motivational. Things might not be what they seem.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Play the field but try not to let it interfere with your work ethic. The impulse to live life in the fast lane may satisfy the itch for excitement for a brief time but could upset your established schedule.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Who you were as a child does not need to define who you are now. You're not little or without your own resources anymore; find the tools you need within yourself to build the life you want, even if it takes time.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — Invisible jobs may be the hardest. Be sure to give rewards when deserved, consider the examples you can set, and how you might be remembered in the minds of others. Respect is an important part of any conversation.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) — You might be surrounded by chaos and feel like you are being thrown out without a parachute. If you can avoid the mayhem now, you may be there to help clean up later. Take a step back and watch the show if you can.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — The fastest answer may not always be the most accurate. Empathy and tact could allow you to make a point without making enemies. A trivial disagreement should not feel world-ending with some time and hindsight.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — You might have a surplus of constructive energy at your fingertips currently. Consider diving into a project that may require your undivided attention and unrestrained enthusiasm. You can come out ahead by applying sheer willpower.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — It can be tempting to try something new or take a risky leap, but you may leave something or someone important behind. You never know when a rainy day is going to happen so remain loyal to your budget.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) — Take obvious and practical steps for basic safety, then relax and live your life. No need to let news or other input fan your fears. Life will always be filled with both challenges and miracles.

Florida sets College World Series record for runs

BY ERIC OLSON
ASSOCIATED PRESS

OMAHA, Neb. — Florida had been involved in more close games than any other team at the College World Series this year.

That changed in a big way Sunday, when the Gators unleashed an offensive barrage of historic proportions.

Florida scored the most runs in a CWS game and came up one short of the record for largest margin of victory in a 24-4 rout of LSU that forced a deciding Game 3 of the finals.

The Gators (54-16) hit six home runs on a windy day at Charles Schwab Field and pounded LSU (53-17) pitching for a CWS record-tying 23 hits a day after Ty Floyd struck out 17 in the Tigers' 4-3, 11-inning win in Game 1.

"We did exactly what we said we were going to do — flush last night and come in today ready to play," outfielder Wyatt Langford said. "The balls were falling for us today. And that's just kind of how it went."

The teams play the final game of the College World Series on Monday night, with the winner earning the national championship.

"Obviously we can't take any of these runs into tomorrow," Gators coach Kevin O'Sullivan said. "We'll have to reset, reboot. But awfully proud of the way they responded from last night's tough loss."

LSU coach Jay Johnson said he and his players must quickly forget what happened Sunday.

"So we're going to stick to how we prepare and roll it out tomorrow and give it everything we have," Johnson said. "One game for the national championship. I think coach O'Sullivan probably feels great about his team, as he should with the players they have.

"I feel great with my team, with the players we have."

Two-way star Jac Caglianone will pitch for the Gators. Johnson didn't announce a starter or comment on the availability of ace Paul Skenes, who has thrown 15 ⅔ innings over two CWS starts and would be coming off three days' rest if he were to pitch.

Florida came into Sunday having played in four of the CWS record-tying eight one-run games. The Gators had totaled 17 runs in those games before the offense broke loose.

Ty Evans and Caglianone each homered twice, with Evans' grand slam breaking things open early. Langford and BT Riopelle also went deep.

Florida's 24 runs broke Notre Dame's CWS record, set in a 23-2 win over Northern Colorado in 1957. The 20-run win over the Tigers ranks second to that game for largest margin.

The Gators hadn't scored so many runs since a 28-5 win over Winthrop on March 3, 2019.

LSU hadn't given up so many in any of its 245 NCAA Tournament games or in any game since a 28-2 loss to Alabama in 1997. The Tigers committed a season-high five errors that led to six unearned runs.

Asked if there was a point he felt the game was slipping away, LSU star Dylan Crews said, "Not really. I guess you could say when it got up to about 20 runs. But we felt like we were in it the whole time, honestly. We made some pretty remarkable comebacks in our career."

Langford was 5 for 5 with six RBIs with two doubles and his homer.

Griner's return a mixed bag, but experience helps her perspective

BY DAVID BRANDT
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PHOENIX — There was a time in Brittney Griner's life when a mid-season coaching change might have been tough to handle.

Her 10-month detainment in Russia has a way of altering perspective.

The Phoenix Mercury announced on Sunday that they had fired coach Vanessa Nygaard following a 2-10 start to the season and elevated assistant coach Nikki Blue to the top spot. Griner — who recently earned her ninth All-Star selection — said she's taken those changes in stride as the franchise tries to right its season.

"Not too much surprises me anymore," Griner said Monday after practice. "I'm not too shocked about change or different circumstances. You've got to adapt. I've learned to adapt even more.

"This adaptation isn't that major in the grand scheme of things."

The Mercury's tough start and coaching change is the latest challenge in Griner's return to the WNBA following her ordeal in Russia on drug-related charges that caused her to miss the entire 2022 season. The 6-foot-9 center and her teammates were confronted by what the WNBA called a "provocateur" at the Dallas airport earlier this month and she's also dealt with a hip injury that caused her to miss three games.

Griner said she was appreciative of everything Nygaard did for her during the past 1 ½ seasons, but was also excited Blue would get her first chance as a WNBA head coach. Blue joined the Mercury coaching staff last season and has 15 years of coaching experience in the WNBA and college.

"Sometimes you've got to shake things up a little," Griner said. "I think that's what we did."

Nygaard took over the team last season and went 17-31. It wasn't an easy year-and-a-half for Nygaard, with Griner missing all of last season while she was detained in Russia. But the losses kept piling up even after she returned, so the Mercury decided to make a change.

"The final straw is that we're 2-10," Mercury general manager Jim Pitman said. "That's just not good enough. Our organization, our fans, expect a lot from the Phoenix Mercury.

"I'd like to thank Vanessa for all the things she did for our organization. She managed through a lot of adversity over the last year and a half, but at the end of the day, professional sports is a results-oriented business and we're 2-10."

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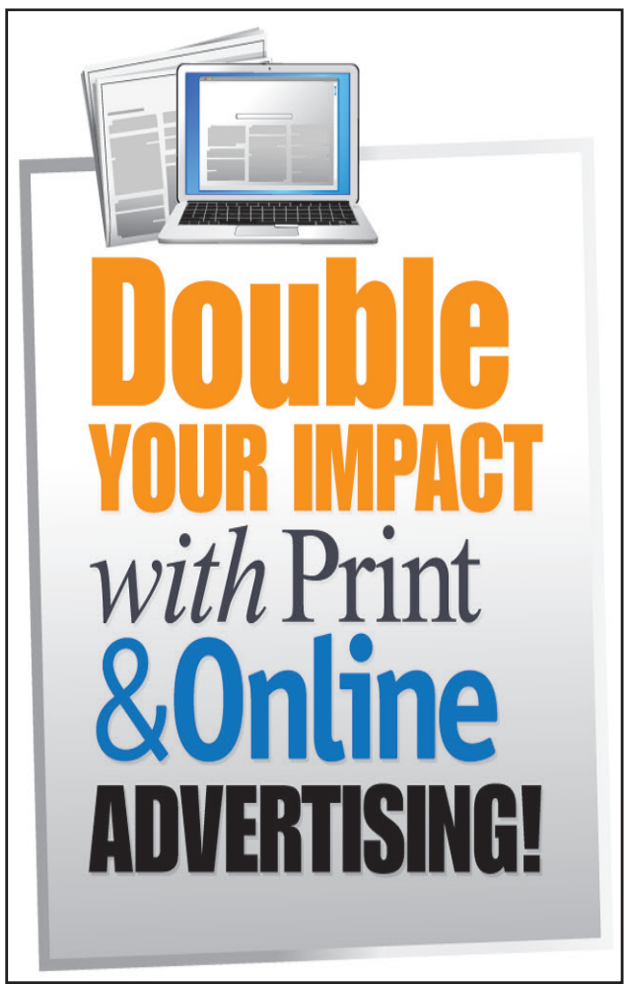

WVU assistant Eilert picked as interim hoops coach

Huggins resigned day after being charged with drunken driving

BY JOHN RABY
ASSOCIATED PRESS

Assistant Josh Eilert has been selected as the interim coach at West Virginia, punctuating a hectic week after Bob Huggins resigned following a drunken driving arrest.

Eilert, who has no previous head coaching experience, emerged as athletic director Wren Baker's choice to shepherd the team through a challenging offseason stretch. Baker stayed in-house and chose not to hire a full-time coach given the limited options of conducting a nationwide search in June and the urgency of finding someone — anyone — with the start of practice only four months away.

"I spoke with knowledgeable basketball people around the country over the last week, including coaches, professional basketball executives and others of whom I trust to identify a strong group of candidates to speak with," Baker said in a statement announcing the move Saturday night. "Ultimately what I came to recognize, was that conducting this search in late June was difficult for many of our candidates and also it put our talented student-athletes at a real disadvantage. With that said, we will conduct our national search at the conclusion of the 2023-24 season."

Under NCAA rules, West Virginia's players have a 30-day window to enter the transfer portal, and several apparently have chosen to do so, although they have the option to return. Eilert could be the glue that keeps together an upper class-heavy roster built largely through transfers.

"Josh Eilert is the right person to lead our men's basketball program next season," Baker said. "He has been an important part of our success, and he has displayed great integrity, work ethic and dedication. He has been involved in all facets of our program during his time on the basketball staff, and he has earned this opportunity to coach our team on an interim basis for the 2023-24 season."

The 43-year-old Eilert first joined Huggins as a graduate assistant at Kansas State in 2006, then followed him to West Virginia in 2007.

Eilert has had a variety of roles with the Mountaineers, including video coordinator and director of basketball operations, before being named an assistant coach in July 2022.

"I would like to thank Wren Baker, President Gee, Rob Alsop, Steve Uryasz and the rest of our administration for believing in me and giving me the opportunity to lead our storied Mountaineer basketball program," Eilert said. "I would also like to thank Coach Huggins for retaining me on his staff at K-State in 2006 and for bringing me to West Virginia in 2007. I've learned so much from Coach Huggins, and it was an honor to work for a Hall of Fame coach for the last 17 years."

Among others who were linked to the opening were UAB coach and former Huggins assistant Andy Kennedy, and former West Virginia and Michigan coach John Beilein.

Huggins had assembled arguably one of the better recruiting classes in the country from the portal for next season, including Syracuse center Jesse Edwards, Arizona guard Kerr Kriisa, Manhattan guards Jose Perez and Omar Silverio, and Montana State guard RaeQuan Battle.

Huggins' 16-year run as West Virginia's coach ended with his resignation on June 17. The day before, he was charged with driving under the influence in Pittsburgh. According to a criminal complaint, Huggins initially believed he was in Columbus, Ohio. A breath test determined Huggins' blood alcohol content was more than twice the legal limit. He has a preliminary hearing scheduled for Aug. 3 in Pittsburgh.

Huggins also pleaded no contest in 2004 to driving under the influence when he was the coach at Cincinnati. He was fired a year later amid a power struggle with the school's president as well as the aftermath of the DUI arrest.

His resignation at West Virginia came a month after the university suspended him for three games for using an anti-gay slur while also denigrating Catholics during a radio interview.

The 69-year-old Huggins was inducted into the Basketball Hall of Fame last September.

Games planned for doping athletes

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

SYDNEY — Aaron D'Souza is sure if he builds it they will come. Not ghostly baseball players but athletes of another sort. Those who compete with an edge.

The Australia-born, London-based businessman is president of the Enhanced Games, a sort of Olympics without drug testing which he says "will obliterate all the world records" by "unlocking human potential."

The Enhanced Games has its own website, featuring a video that purports to show the "fastest man in the world."

"He has broken Usain Bolt's 100m record. He has unlocked his body's true athletic potential," the website says. "But the world isn't ready for him.

"The Olympics hate him. He has been vilified. He will be vindicated."

The website invites fans to "come watch him compete at the 2024 Enhanced Games." It accuses the International Olympic Committee of vilifying "enhanced athletes" and lists "enhanced" world record rejected by the IOC.

"Each Olympiad another cohort of brave athletes sets new world records only to have their medals revoked, their careers suspended and their names dragged through the mud," the website says. "It is time to end this oppressive cycle."

Critics already are lining up to condemn the Enhanced Games, including the Australian Olympic Committee, which called the idea "dangerous and irresponsible."

"We know next to nothing about this organization but sport needs to be clean and it needs to be safe for all athletes," AOC chief executive Matt Carroll said on Monday. "The Australian Olympic Committee believes the concept of a drug enhanced games is both dangerous and irresponsible.

"The Olympic movement is devoted to clean sport and athletic excellence, celebrating the best in humanity, excellence, friendship and respect."

D'Souza says the concept is "morally correct." The games will comprise five categories — track and field, swimming, weightlifting, gymnastics and combat sports. The time and venue of the games have yet to be announced.

"We want natural and we welcome enhanced athletes," D'Souza told the Australian Associated Press. "And I hope that the bold, natural athlete shows up to the games and says, 'Hey guys I'm natural, I'm still WADA compliant and I'm going to beat all you guys' — that is going to be great television."

Dodgers' Freeman collects 2,000th hit

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOS ANGELES — Los Angeles Dodgers first baseman Freddie Freeman got his 2,000th hit, reaching the milestone with a double in the eighth inning of a 6-5 loss to the Houston Astros in 11 innings Sunday night.

Freeman's sharp line drive to right field was his second double of the game and drove in Mookie Betts, making him the 295th player in major league history to reach the mark.

Freeman played in his 1,801 game, becoming the seventh player to reach 2,000 hits as a member of the Dodgers. Of those hits, 441 are doubles — including his league-leading 27 this season.

Dodgers manager Dave Roberts felt Freeman had been pressing to reach the milestone at home as he went hitless in seven at-bats through the first two games of the weekend series.

Freeman, 33, spent his first 12 seasons with Atlanta after the Braves selected him in the second round of the 2007 draft. He had 1,704 hits in 1,565 games for the Braves before the Orange County native joined the Dodgers as a free agent before the 2022 season.

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Defendants.
NOTICE OF SUIT SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION
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Sanders expects hospital release 2 days after surgery

BOULDER, Colo. — Colorado football coach Deion Sanders said on social media that he expects to be released from the hospital on Sunday, two days after surgery for blood clots in his legs.

In a video posted on Instagram on Saturday, Sanders told his family that he had successful surgery on Friday for a blood clot in his left thigh and another in the same leg below his knee. He said he also has a blood clot in the right leg that doctors were "going to get soon."

The news of Coach Prime's impending procedure began to spread Thursday after Pat McAfee discussed on his podcast with longtime NFL defensive back Adam Jones what was referred to as an emergency surgery for Sanders.

In a video posted Thursday, the 55-year-old Sanders explained in the video on YouTube that his doctor found a blood clot in both legs, including one in his left thigh. He's struggled with the left foot since having two toes amputated in 2021 due to blood clot issues while at Jackson State.

He said that two of his three remaining toes on that foot are what he referred to as "hammer toes," a condition where there's an atypical bend in the middle joint.

He said the procedure on Friday was to "try to get those clots so I can have proper blood flow to the leg so they can fix the toes. That's what's going on."

Last week, Sanders revealed he might lose his left foot as a result of circulation issues. Sanders allowed camera crews with "Thee Pregame Show" to film a meeting with his medical team at the University of Colorado, where he's preparing for his first season as head football coach.

On Thursday, Sanders said: "There is no talk of amputation. There's no talk of any of that whatsoever."

The interest in Colorado football has soared since Sanders was hired last December to turn around the Buffaloes following a 1-11 season in 2022. Colorado sold out of its season-ticket allotment, marking the first time that's happened since 1996.

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There's hope the Mercury still might have time to turn their season around. The 32-year-old Griner — who returned on Saturday from her hip injury — has been productive on an individual level, averaging 19.1 points per game on a career-high 62% shooting. She's also averaging 6.4 rebounds and 2.4 blocks.

"A lot of teams don't have veterans like Britney Griner or Diana Taurasi," Blue said. "It's nice when something like this goes down in the organization, to have those veterans be a calming factor and a calming piece."

Griner said it's her job to play even better and help the banged-up Mercury try to compete for a playoff spot. As for her off-the-court challenges, she's glad the Dallas airport has caused the WNBA to partially re-evaluate the use of charter flights and other travel options.

Griner's detention in Russia is still a divisive political issue in the United States, particularly after she was swapped for notorious Russian arms dealer Viktor Bout.

"I'll say this — I think we should have already had the option to use a different airline, a more private airline, a charter flight," Griner said. "It's a shame it had to get to rock bottom because I feel like waiting for something to happen, then making a change — you don't know what that something's going to be.

"We've all seen what can happen in this world," she added. "When you play the wait-and-see game, you're really playing with fire, you're playing with people's lives. So I'm glad they finally got it together and allow us to do this. It's just a shame it took so damn long, honestly."

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Griner chosen All-Star starter

BY DOUG FEINBERG
AP BASKETBALL WRITER

NEW YORK — Brittney Griner will be starting in the WNBA All-Star Game a year after she was an honorary choice by the league while she was being detained in Russia.

The Phoenix Mercury's center was chosen by fans, media and players Sunday for her ninth All-Star game. Last season all the players wore Griner No. 42 jerseys for the second half of the game that was played in Chicago.

A'ja Wilson and Breanna Stewart were the top voter getters among fans and will be the captains of the two teams when the game is played in Las Vegas on July 15. The two players were also captains last year and are each making their fifth All-Star appearances. Wilson's team won the game last year.

Stewart was thrilled to have the chance to play with Griner again.

"I think all of us are really inspired in what she's doing and the way she's kind of handling herself," Stewart said of Griner. "So it's another moment to just continue to celebrate her and watch her do her thing on the court."

As far as drafting Griner, Stewart hopes she gets the opportunity although Wilson has the first pick. Wilson led the fan vote with Stewart second. Stewart was the top choice among players and the media with Wilson second.

"Team Wilson is backkkkk," Wilson tweeted. "super blessed! thank you all who voted time to turn up the city …AGAIN"

Other frontcourt players chosen to start include rookie Aliyah Boston of the Indiana Fever. She would be the first rookie to start an All-Star game since Shoni Schimmel did it in 2014. Overall eight rookies have been chosen to start the All-Star Game.

Satou Sabally of Dallas and Nneka Ogwumike of Los Angeles round out the frontcourt starters.

"It's one of the ultimate honors," said Ogwumike. "Being named a starter or an All-Star at all is always a blessing. I am humbled to be able to play alongside such talented, professional women showcasing their amazing skills and athleticism to the fans."

The backcourt starters are Las Vegas teammates Chelsea Gray and Jackie Young, Seattle's Jewell Loyd and Dallas' Arike Ogunbowale.

The reserves will be chosen by the league's head coaches, who will choose three guards, five frontcourt players and four at either position. Coaches can't vote for their own players. The reserves will be announced on July 1.

Stewart and Wilson will draft their rosters on July 8.

Fan balloting accounts for 50% of the vote to determine starters for the game. WNBA players and a media panel account for 25% each. Player's scores were calculated by averaging their weighted rank from the three groups.

MLB hoping fashion fuels interest in hot-market France

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LONDON — France might not know too much about baseball. Fashion is another story.

As Major League Baseball tries to solve Europe, it's looking for ways to connect with the locals and grow its fan base.

In Britain, there's a common language and a similar bat-and-ball game in cricket. The Netherlands has a baseball tradition with star players from Aruba and Curacao. Germany has a big U.S. military presence, and like the U.K. has been receptive to the NFL.

And France?

"One of the things that people often overlook with baseball is the fashion element," Chris Marinak, MLB's chief operations and strategy officer, told The Associated Press. "One of the things that comes to mind when you think about France is fashion. We have a really large fashion business there and the presence of jerseys and hats in particular are really, really strong in France."

France is one of MLB's hottest markets in Europe for online merchandise sales, with caps up 152% this year and overall sales up 25%, the league said. The New York Yankees are the top sellers.

Right on cue, French basketball prodigy Victor Wembanyama stopped by the Bronx before the NBA draft last week and threw out the ceremonial first pitch — all while wearing a Yankees jersey. Days later, he became the No. 1 pick, selected by the San Antonio Spurs.

"We feel like by potentially doing more in that market, we can really activate behind the fashion element and use the fashion element as a way to get more media exposure for our live games, and then see that snowball effect kind of go in France," Marinak said.

MLB plans to play games in Paris during the 2025 season, though it's not been finalized, and the Yankees have been lobbying to headline the bill.

From a marketing standpoint, this would be a no-brainer, and it's backed up by the sales figures. Yankees caps are the best sellers not just in France but across Europe, the league said. Jerseys are having a moment, too. As GQ declared in an article in 2022, "The humble baseball jersey is still perfect for summer style." The way Wembanyama wore his Yankees jersey — unbuttoned — is especially on trend.

People who wear caps as fashion choices don't necessarily know much about the teams.

The French will acknowledge that they love all things New York, so that surely accounts for some of the Yankees' popularity.

But Baseball has a long way to go to catch up to basketball's popularity in France, which is churning out NBA draft picks.

Wilson scores 28, Plum adds 26 to help Aces defeat Fever 101-88

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LAS VEGAS — A'ja Wilson and Kelsey Plum combined to score 30 points in the first half and all five Las Vegas starters scored in double figures Saturday night as the Aces went on to beat the Indiana Fever 101-88.

Wilson finished with 28 points and 10 rebounds, Plum added 26 points on 9-for-14 shooting to lead Las Vegas (12-1).

Candace Parker added 15 points, Chelsea Gray had 13 points and a season-high tying 12 assists, and Jackie Young scored 10 with eight assists. Gray, the No. 11 pick in the 2014 WNBA draft and the 2022 Finals MVP, is the only Las Vegas starter that was not drafted No. 1 overall in their respective draft.

The Aces came into the game averaging 92.5 points per game this season — third-most in WNBA history — and topped the 100-point plateau for the second time this season.

They have scored at least 90 points in 11 of 13 games.

Wilson, who was 0 for 8 from 3-point range this season, hit a 3 before she assisted on jumpers by Young and Parker to make it 11-6, and the Aces never again trailed. NaLyssa Smith converted a three-point play to make it 12-all but Wilson responded with a bucket midway through the first quarter and Las Vegas led the rest of the way.

Smith led Indiana (5-8) with 26 points and 11 rebounds. Aliyah Boston, the first pick in April's draft, made 8 of 11 from the field and finished with 18 points, nine rebounds and three steals. Lexie Hull had a season-high 15 points and Kristy Wallace scored 13.

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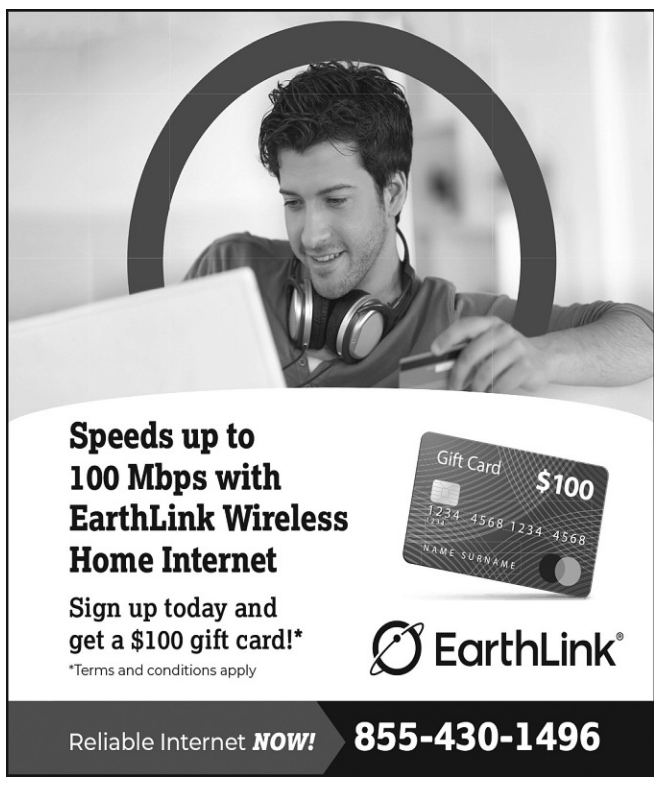
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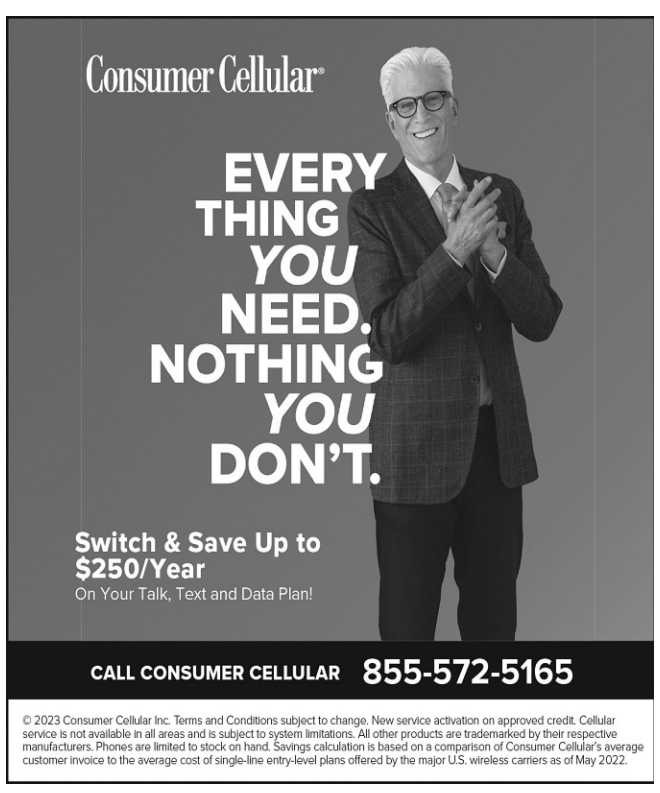
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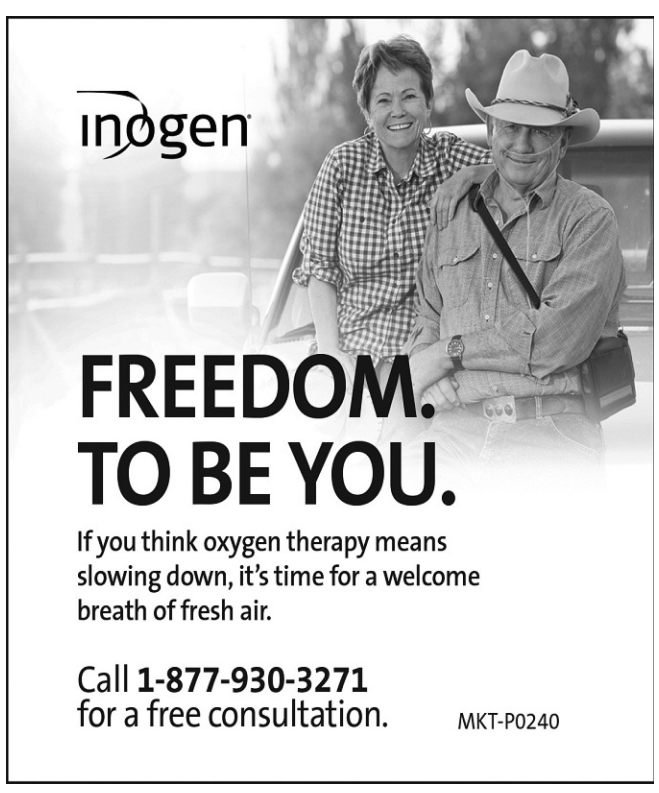
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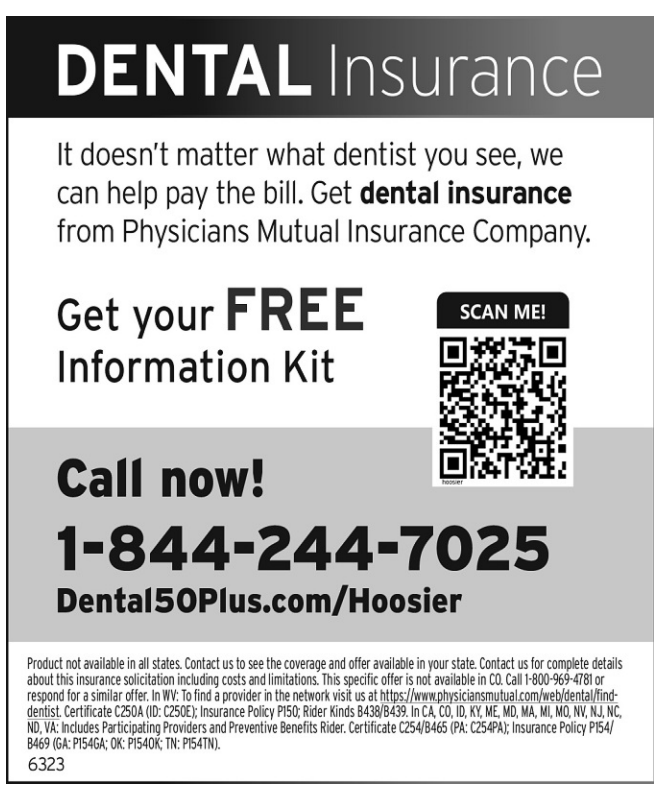
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Dylan Runne (left), in the U-1 Miss HomeStreet/Miss Madison, and Andrew Tate (right), in the U-91 Goodman Real Estate/Miss Madison, run side-by-side during testing for the Southern Cup at Lake Guntersville in Alabama on Saturday.

OPENER

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boat in the middle of the lake as heavy storms descended on Lake Guntersville, ending the event and sending fans home for their safety, and it wasn't until more than an hour later, when the weather cleared, that the boat was finally recovered. The Miss Madison Racing team began assessing the damage Sunday night to determine if they can make repairs in time for hometown race this weekend.

Despite the rough weekend, both Miss Madison drivers are confident about the future and Runne can't wait to get a chance to run in front of his hometown fans at the Madison Regatta June 30-July 2.

"The HomeStreet team has put together a great race boat and I just can't wait to race in front of the Miss Madison fans. They're the best fans in the world and I'm excited to get ingrained in that community," Runne said. "I think with our sponsor, HomeStreet Bank, it's so focused on community and Madison is a great community. I'm just excited to be part of it and to get a chance to meet everybody there."

WRECK

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want to win. I feel bad for the Goodman team and the Bucket List team. We had two boats with damage and that's never good," Peabody said. "But we ran real strong all weekend long. I was super happy with the way it performed, considering the accident last year and this is our first time out of the water in a racing situation, so happy about that."

Lake Guntersville race officials had changed the course in an attempt to make it "The Fastest Water in the South" and they succeeded. Six of the eight Unlimiteds in the pits recorded qualifying speeds in excess of 160 mph, led by Echols with a blistering 171.294 mph lap that stands as the third-fastest speed in the history of the sport.

But Echols was unable to translate his high qualifying speed into actual racing. Echols jumped the gun in the first heat and finished fourth before placing third in his final two heats after being forced to the outside lanes during the milling period. His day ended after he collided with the Goodman and the boat's status for Madison is unknown.

Peabody had no such worries. After posting a lap of 167.320 in qualifying, Peabody had little trouble in picking up three preliminary wins. After pulling away to beat Tate in both Heats 1B and 2A, Peabody rolled to a victory in Heat 3B. Peabody's winning speed of 162.910 in Heat 1B was a 7.5-mile H1 heat record.

The common thinking going into the race was that lane one would be unbeatable on the wide Guntersville course, but Peabody said that he wanted no part of the inside lane.

"I had zero interest in lane one. Some people might have thought (lane one) was unbeatable. The reality of it is that is, these turns are not in a natural position," Peabody said. "I wouldn't want one because you're hugging the buoys and then you have to scrub speed in the turns. I didn't want that so I wanted lane two or three the whole time."

Peabody's teammate J. Michael Kelly picked up a win in Heat 1A aboard the U-8 Beacon Electric, while Jamie Nilsen scored a win in Heat 2B in the U-11 Legend Yacht Club when Jimmy King was disqualified for violating the 80 mph minimum rule prior to the start of the heat in the U-3 Miss Ace Hardware.

Tate also claimed a preliminary win in Heat 3A and liked where he was at going into the Final Heat. Securing lane two, Tate appeared to be in good position when Kelly, in lane one, jumped the gun.

But Tate's race ended just a few seconds later when he went up the roostertails.

"I honestly don't know what happened right now. I need to go back and watch the video but the endgame is, I went through it and ended upside down," Tate said. "It's just unfortunate. I feel bad for the team. They've worked so hard over the offseason to get this boat ready to go and we were getting on it continuously getting better. Not the way we wanted it to end."

Peabody's 1,280 points were enough to give him the win. Tate finished second with 1,070 points and Nilsen was third with 965 points. Kelly finished fourth with 919 points and rookie Dylan Runne was fifth in the U-1 Miss HomeStreet/Miss Madison with 810.

The fleet now moves north to Madiso, Indiana, for the Bob Hughes Memorial Madison Regatta this weekend. Testing and qualifying begins on Friday with racing scheduled for Saturday and Sunday.

David Campbell

Rescue divers help Andrew Tate out of tescape hatch of his boat after Tate's U-91 Goodman Real Estate flipped and landed upside down at the start of the Final Heat of the Southern Cup in Guntersville, Alabama, on Sunday.

David Campbell

Jimmy King (left) and the U-3 Miss Ace Hardware and Jaime Nilsen (right) in the U-11 Legend Yacht Transport battle through turn two during the Southern Cup in Guntersville, Alabama on Sunday.

REDS

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San Diego on June 2, 1989.

De La Cruz wears the same No. 44 that Davis did.

Many in the sellout crowd of 43,086 at Great American Ball Park chanted "Elly! Elly!" The big turnout came two months after a record low for attendance at the stadium of 7,375 on April 17.

The Reds overcame a five-run Braves first inning against Luke Weaver, two homers by Matt Olson and drives from Travis d'Arnaud, Ronald Acuña Jr. and Austin Riley to earn their major league-best 27th comeback victory of the season. Three of Atlanta's homers were hit in the eighth.

BRAVES 7, REDS 6

Down three runs in the ninth inning, the Cincinnati Reds got one-out solo homers from Jake Fraley and Will Benson off Raisel Iglesias.

Could they extend a winning streak to 13 games for the first time in a century?

Not quite.

Iglesias struck out Matt McLain and Jonathan India, and the Atlanta Braves prevailed 7-6 in an eight-homer slugfest on Saturday to stop the Reds' winning streak at 12 games.

"I wish we won 100 in a row," Spencer Steer said. "We played some really good baseball the last two weeks. We've built a pretty good culture, good bond in that clubhouse and I think we believe that we can play with these heavyweights."

Each team homered four times.

Matt Olson hit the 200th of his big league career and Travis d'Arnaud and Ozzie Albies also went deep off Graham Ashcraft (3-6), who allowed three long balls for the first time in 33 big league starts. Marcell Ozuna homered against Alex Young as the Braves won for the ninth time in 10 games.

McLain and Steer hit two-run homers for the Reds, and Fraley homered for the third straight game.

Iglesias, who pitched for the Reds from 2015-20, started the ninth by striking out TJ Friedl. After the homers, Iglesias got his 11th save in 13 chances.

Boosted by the streak, the Reds drew 43,498 for their first consecutive full-capacity sellouts since June 24-26, 2016, when Pete Rose's No. 14 was retired.